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LOVE THEIR KING

GEORGE OF ENGLAND, LIVES IN HEARTS OF HIS PEOPLE

WAR BINDS TIES CLOSER

Nation Prefers to March Under the Banner of King and Country with Thought of Republic Obnoxious.

(By Carl C. Reeves, I. N. S.)

London, (By Mail).—Many things have been happening to kings of late. What of King George?

King George is an idea, the idea of empire. Not an idea of empire as it means domination; rather, empire of union and co-operation.

This idea which the King represents has been strengthened by the outcome of the war. King George, the person, has won the hearts of the British public. He is the sort of a person the Briton desires for the personification of his idea of empire, or nationality.

The idea and the man have been strengthened in the heart of the average Briton, while the king idea has tottered elsewhere.

Out at the palace a royal family has been watching the wave of Bolshevikism with intentness. The palace has not the same easy facilities for "keeping an ear to the ground" as has an American statesman or politician. Strive as they may for democracy, for an insight into the minds of the people by constant contact, there is a deal of insulation that prevents royalty from reading the heart of the public.

Members of the King's household have been curious to learn in odd and diverse quarters the trend of public opinion.

Reports which may have been carried down the Mall, if an "outsider" can safely judge the feeling of a nation, must have been reassuring, complimentary even in a high degree.

King Edward, it has been reported, was once asked whether he thought the sweep of republicanism would affect his reign or that of his family.

"I shall reign throughout my life," he is said to have replied, "and my son—but not my son's son."

The son's son is the present Prince of Wales."

There have been republicans in England for many years. The new and sudden turn taken by European affairs has caused discussion of republicanism, but "For King and Country" still remains and seems likely to remain for many years the battle cry of Britain in time of war and the expression of the idea of service in times of peace.

The streets and hotels tell the story.

The Briton believes that his empire is good, that it is the best form of government, giving the best service to the greatest number. He believes that it would fall apart under a republic and that the breaking up of the empire would be a bad thing for himself and for the world.

He certainly does not envy the King. King George has his sympathy as an individual, gentle and likable, born to great responsibilities—and to little power.

The average Briton is proud that his King has been as much of a commoner as it is possible for him to be. King George has inspected allotments, viewed prize pigs, appeared unexpectedly, unannounced, unattended at scores of places. He has eaten pancakes with the Yanks, visited munition factories, watched land girls at work in the fields.

For four years he drank no intoxicating liquors of any sort, until he celebrated the signing of the armistice with a glass of champagne. For four years he attended no theaters.

These things are foreign to the average American notion of royalty. They meet with a warm response in England.

Unless some unforseen turn develops Lloyd George's warning, in his opening campaign speech, that English institutions may be endangered by revolution seems unwarranted.

Britain prefers to march under the twin banner of King and Country. The Briton is convinced that he has reached the only workable solution of the King business, and that the King idea is necessary to the continuance of the Empire which has given him opportunity. Apparently it would take a great betrayal to shake him from this belief.

So, when the armistice was signed crowds beseiged the palace. For tens of thousands the King was the first thought. Beneath the royal balcony danced munition girls. The age-old order and the new—reconciled.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE FOWL

By Crossing and Re-crossing Many Breeds, a New Patriotic Fowl Has Been Grown.

It would seem that the wizard, Burbank, has nothing on the man who is said to have developed a breed of red, white and blue chickens and has named them Patriots. Here is the story from the Petersburg (Ill.), Observer:

"The Observer has had its attention called to a new fowl bearing the national colors in its plummage, which is bound to be immensely popular. The poultry breeder who is the first to introduce this patriotic bird in Menard county will make some money. Here is the way the story of this breed of patriots reaches us:

"Since the beginning of the war a new breed of fowls has come into existence, carrying the national American colors, red, white and blue. Logically enough the breed has been given the name of Patriots. The originators of these red, white and blue fowls were R. H. Barnard and Henry H. Shultz, both of Massachusetts. When they started the work of producing a race of hens which should carry the national colors, they had no anticipation of a war in which this country would be involved.

A new breed is not made in a day. More than ten years have been required to bring the Patriots to such a point of perfection that the red, white and blue colors will appear regularly and consistently. As a matter of fact, two varieties have been evolved. One has every feather showing the three colors, red, white and blue. The other has a red head and a red breast, a blue body, white wings and a white tail. The colors are laid on in such a way that they blend nicely, and there is nothing freaky about the appearance of either the hens or the cocks.

Many different breeds have been used in making up the Patriots, among them Barred Rocks, White Leghorns, Blue Andalusians, Rhode Island Reds, Black Minoreas and Blue Wyandottes. The color of the eye of the perfect Patriot is dark red. The ear lobes have proved difficult to handle. Mr. Barnard says that he wanted them red, but to date has been successful in getting two-thirds red and one-third white.

To Spend Winter at Tuscon.

Mrs. Martha E. Turner of this city and her daughter, Mrs. V. L. Drain of Shelbyville, left yesterday afternoon for Tuscon, Ariz., where they will spend the remainder of the winter. Mrs. Drain has been in Maryville for the past two weeks visiting her mother and her sister, Mrs. Augustus Romasser. Her husband Judge Drain, their daughter, Katherine, a student at Howard Payne College, Fayette, Mo., and their son, V. L. Jr., came to Maryville to spend Christmas and accompanied Mrs. Drain and Mrs. Turner as far as St. Joseph yesterday afternoon on their return trip home.

Returns to Naval Camp.

Oakley Colvin returned yesterday to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, where he is in the naval service, after a short furlough spent in this city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Colvin of West Third street

Buys Bus Barn.

J. F. Robinson yesterday purchased the bus barn on North Vine street from C. F. Kelly. The sale was made by Holmes & Wolfert.

Returns to Camp Funston.

Lawrence Keeler returned to Camp Funston yesterday after spending the holidays at his home in this city.

Nick Sturm will leave in the morning for Oklahoma City, where he will spend the next month visiting his son, C. Edward Sturm and family, and his brother, Theodore Sturm.

It has been computed that eight or ten rabbits eat or destroy as much grass as one sheep.

G. Dunkelman

MERCHANT TAILOR

Moved to New Location 409 N. Main St.

AIR ARMY POLITICS?

PLAN TO MAKE PERSHING'S RANK PERMANENT OPPOSED

OTHERS AFFECTED, TOO

Baker Has Recommended Promotions for March and Bliss.—Congress Is Expected to Ask Questions.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Opposition is already developing to promoting Major generals Pershing, March and Bliss to the full rank of general. Thus far the opposition is confined to the military affairs committee which has been informed that Secretary Baker has recommended their promotions to the President. The nominations have not yet been sent to the senate.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Opposition has begun to brew in congress against legislation recommended by the War Department to confer the rank of general and lieutenant general for life upon those now holding those grades temporarily.

The proposed legislation affects General Pershing, General March, General Bliss, Lieutenant General Liggett and Lieutenant General Bullard. They are holding their present ranks only temporarily, and the purpose of the proposed legislation is to extend to them recognition for their services during the war.

There were indications today that the measure may become the vehicle for the airing of army politics kept well under cover during the war. It was suggested that it might furnish an opportunity for bringing out the facts about the keeping of Major General Leonard Wood at home, and the reason for the mysterious recall of Major General Clarence Edwards while under fire with his division at the front. There are many other high army officers, held in high esteem in Congress, smarting over the treatment they have received during the war, and their cases may be held before the spotlight when the measure comes up in the House or Senate.

General Pershing, as commander-in-chief of the expeditionary forces, is responsible, of course, for the removal of officers from command at the front. It has never been officially stated that it was he who brought about the removal of General Wood from command of the 89th Division on the eve of its sailing for France, but uunofficially the responsibility has been laid at his door. The friends of General Wood, General Edwards and others may regard the presentation of the proposed legislation as a timely occasion for calling for a clearingup of the mystery surrounding the shelving and ditching of prominent officers.

TRAIN FOR CENTENARY WORK

Rev. G. S. Cox, Given Charge of Centenary Movement in Three States, Goes to Chicago for Conference.

Rev. Gilbert S. Cox, of the First M. E. Church, left last night for Chicago, where he will attend a training conference for work in the coming Centenary movement of the church. Dr. Cox has been appointed director of the Sunday School work in connection with the movement in three states, Missouri, Arkansas and Southern Illinois, and during the next six months will be actively engaged in visiting points in this territory.

On January 1 there will be a team of Centenary workers here and at night there will be lectures of all of the features of the work and these lectures will be illustrated by stereopticon views. This meeting is open to the general public.

The Centenary movement is in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of missionary work in the Methodist Church. Following a survey of the field it was found that in order to meet the obligations for the next five years it will be necessary to raise $80,000,000 and to get 13,000 trained missionary workers in the field. The Centenary movement is to raise the money power and the man power to carry on the work.

BOLSHEVIKI DEFEATED.

Zurich, Dec. 27.—Troops supporting the Omak government in Russia, defeated the Bolsheviki in battle capturing 8,000 prisoners and much war material, said advices today. Perm has been recaptured from the Bolsheviki.

S. E. Browne of Hopkins, was down today looking after some legal matters.

GUARD TO PLAY VOLLEY BALL

Game Will Be Introduced for First Time Tonight.—Get Ready for Semi-Annual Muster.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Home Guards tonight at the armory there promises to be plenty to interest those who will be there. In addition to the regular drill there will be gallery practise and a game of volley ball The game will be played under the direction of H. P. Swinehart and it is expected that several good teams will be developed. The ball and net used at the Normal have been loaned for the first game and if there is enough interest to warrant, a ball and equipment will be purchased and the game of volley ball will be made a permanent feature.

Gallery practice was held for the first time last Friday night and while some thirty or forty members participated, no perfect scores were made. The "shooters" expect, however, to improve on the record.

Next Monday night will occur the semi-annual muster and inspection of the guard as required by law and Capt. Harry D. Snyder says that excuses will be of no avail. Those who fail to show up for inspection, preferring rather to "keep the home fires burning" will find the long arm of the army stretched forth to yank them from comfortable hearth stones, quiet games of pinochle at the club and to be marched off by the provo guard to serve time in the guard house

PNEUMONIA CAUSES DEATH

James Bragg of Burlington Junction, Dies This Morning.—Funeral Services This Afternoon.

Funeral services for James Bragg, the son of William Bragg, living on the Elihu Carter farm southeast of Burlington Junction, who died at 6:30 o'clock this morning, were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the family home. The young man's death was due to pneumonia following an attack of influenza. The mother died several years ago and the father and five brothers and four sisters survive. They thers and four sisters. They are John, are John, Joe, Sherman, Pleas, Clyde, die, Laura and Fern.

SKIDMORE RESIDENT IS DEAD

Carey Stults, Father of Claude Stults of this City, Dies Last Night—Funeral at Skidmore Tomorrow.

Carey Stults, the father of Claude Stults of this city, died last night at 9 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bird Rowlette, six and one-half miles southwest of Maryville.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Christian church of Skidmore and the body will be interred in the Skidmore cemetery. Mr. Stults had been ill for some time. He is survived by three children, Claude Stults, Mrs. Rowlette and Mrs. Walter Johnson of Skidmore. He also is survived by two sisters and two brothers, John and James Stults of Skidmore and Mrs. L. M. Armstrong and Mrs. Ed Armstrong of Calumet, Okla.

DOUGLAS HAYNES ON VISIT

In Active Sea Service Six Months on Board U. S. S. Ulysses.—Guest of Mother, Mrs. Pierpoint.

Douglas W. Haynes, who has been in sea service for the past six months on board the U. S. S. Ulysses, arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit his mother, Mrs. J. E. Pierpoint of Skidmore, who is at the Montgomery home and his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Montgomery of West Third street.

Young Haynes is with the armed guard of the Ulysses, a merchant ship which has been doing cargo service for the past six months. The ship guard consists of 22 enlisted men. Young Haynes went with a Harvard unit and is one of the three radio men on the ship. He has been in naval service for a year and on active duty six months. For a month previous to sailing for New York on the last return trip he was at Bordeaux, France. He arrived in New York City Dec. 23 and at Maryville yesterday. He has been given a ten days' furlough and will report for duty Jan. 2.

PRISONERS WERE MURDERED.

Zurich, Dec. 27.—General Foch has occupied Manheim as a result of the murder of several Allied prisoners near that place according to information from the frontier today. Manheim is in Baden, forty-five miles southwest of Frankfort and has a population of 100,000.

PAY MONTHS BEHIND

THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS' DEPENDANTS ARE COMPLAINING

SPENCER TO KNOW WHY

With 18,000 Clerks in Washington Available for Work, Matter Will Be Brought to Attention.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 27.—Complaints from thousands of soldiers' dependents in Missouri and other state that their allotments from the government are months behind are to be brought before the United States Senate immediately after the holiday recess by Senator Selden P. Spencer of Missouri.

Spencer has drafted a resolution calling for an immediate report from the War Department on how far behind it is in sending these allotments, and when the dependents may expect them.

Senator Spencer has arrived in St. Louis from Washington. He expects to return to the capital in a day or two. He said he was being deluged with complaints from soldiers' dependents in St. Louis and elsewhere in Missouri that they are in actual need because of the government's delay.

"There are 18,000 clerks in Washington available to do this work, and there doesn't seem to be the slightest excuse for the delay," Spencer said. "These boys have left everything to serve their country, and the dependents they have left behind them ought to be the first care of the government. Complaints coming to me show there is actual suffering because of failure to get allotments.

"A railroad corporation is able to pay its employes every two weeks. The government certainly ought to be able to pay children and wives of its fighting men at least once a month. Instead of that, it is months late.

"My resolution will ask the War Risk Department to report just how much of the allotment for August, September and October are unpaid, and when the dependents may expect their December allotments."

PNEUMONIA PROVES FATAL

Mrs. Burton Neff of Elmo Died at Noon Today—Funeral Arrangements To Be Made Later.

Mrs. Burton Neff of Elmo died at 12:30 o'clock today, after a few days' illness with pneumonia which followed influenza. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral. Mrs. Neff is survived by her husband and several children.

HUNTERS ADD TO STATE FUND

Coutny Clerk Has Received Total of 625 for Licenses Issued.—Makes Report to State Warden.

Nodaway county has contributed $625 to the state through the medium of hunting licenses, according to the annual statement made to the state game and fish warden by county clerk, Fred J. Yeomans.

According to Mr. Yeoman's report the total from 600 county licenses and five state licenses has amounted to $625, with deductions of $16.12 for postage and exchange, $80.55 retained as fees and $88 in returned licenses, $440 being remitted to the state.

This has been a record year for hunters' licenses with more licenses having been issued than for years previous.

Christian Church of Pickering.

Bible school at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The offering for the Syrian and Armenian relief will be made at this time. Other services of the day as usual.

J. T. ALSUP, Pastor.

Guests of Mrs. E. J. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs Harold Walker of Kansas City, are visiting in Maryville with Mr. Walker's mother, Mrs. E. J. Williams. Mr. Walker is stationed at Detroit, Mich., in a section of the aviation service and has not yet been released from military duty.

Ben Seyster was down from his home at Parnell today looking after business matters.

Returns to Oklahoma.

Miss Julia Denny, who teaches in the schools of Oklahoma City, Okla., will return to her work tomorrow after a visit in this city with her mother, Mrs. Martha Denny.

FIX AMERICA'S NAVAL POLICY

Present Democratic Congress Is Hurrying Work with That End in View.—Problem of Army.

Washington, Dec. 27.—An American peace naval policy will be fixed by the present democratic congress, it became known here today. The naval affairs committee is speeding up work so that the bill will be handed to the house for passage by January 15. Secretary Daniels is to appear before the committee next week to wind up the proposals for divisions of the navy and to make final recommendations as to what the bill should contemplate.

The house military committee immediately after the holidays will take up the problem of America's army of occupation now in Europe. It is proposed by Green, of Iowa, that an armed force in this country and in Europe be organized immediately on a volunteer basis and that its strength shall not exceed 400,000 plus the units of regulars now stationed there.

JERRY O'CONNOR IS DEAD

Dies at Home of Daughter, Mrs. John Sturm, Jr., Near Bedison.—Callahans to Come From Fort Worth Tonight.

Jerry O'Connor, who made his home with his daughter, Mrs. John Sturm, Jr., living near near Bedison, died at eight o'clock yesterday morning. His death was due to uremic poisoning and he had been ill some time.

The funeral services will probably be held at Conception tomorrow morning but no definite arrangements have yet been made. Mr. O'Connor was a brother-in-law of Michael Callahan formerly of Arkoe, now living at Fort Worth, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Callahan will arrive tonight from Fort Worth to attend the funeral. The only close surviving relatives are Mrs. Sturm and the Callahans.

REMUS EMPLOYES BANQUET

Proprietor Serves Fried Oyster Supper to Employees and Families Last Night at Close of Business.

C. F. Remus entertained the employes of the Remus Mercantile Company with a fried oyster supper last night. The supper was served in the large basement of the store which had been decorated and made ready by Mrs. Remus and daughters, Margaret, Katherine and Frances and the event was planned as a surprise for the clerks. A delicious menu was served and the evening spent in enjoying Victrola music and playing various games. The company included Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cornell and son, Roland, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mann, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mrs. Anna Miller, Mrs. Alpha Bishop, Miss Alice Donahue, Mrs. W. P. Cummins of Burlington Junction, Richard Schaffer and Mr. and Mrs. Remus and daughters. Mrs, Cummins was Miss Bee Growney previous to her marriage and is a former employe of the store.

HURRY UP LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 27.—A resoluution requesting that the war conference at V rsailles create at the earliest possible moment a League of Nations that will establish an enduring world peace was introduced in the house today by Representative Britten, republican member from Illinois. Mr. Britten gave notice he would ask for hearings by the foreign relations committee on the resolution early in the new year.

FIRE DAMAGES STEAMER.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—Fire early today damaged the steamship, Florence Lukeback, and a cargo of foodstuffs and gasoline. The ship was lying at Locust Point ready to sail for France today. Four sailors along the water front were hurt and three city firemen were overcome by gasoline fumes and were taken to the hospital.

Omaha Visitors Leave.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Conklin and children returned yesterday to their home in Omaha, after a holiday visit here with Mrs. Conklin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Wright.

A STATEMENT SOON

AMERICA MAY HEAR SHORTLY CONTEMPLATED PLANS

SPEED PEACE PROGRAM

Wilson Confers with British Statesmen.—Any Difefrences of Opinion Will Be Easily Settled.

London, Dec. 27.—President Wilson held his first direct peace conversations with representatives of Great Britain today when he met Premier Lloyd George and other British statesmen informally during the morning, the program for the day carrying the conference late into the afternoon. British and American view points as they touch one another are included yet for conference today were informal. They were characterized by the hope that concessions will be possible. There is no possibility of developments that would prolong any difference of opinion, it was confidentially stated.

Premier Lloyd George arrived at Buckingham Palace at 1:30 and was loudly cheered by the big crowd that gathered. Mrs. Wilson got the first view of London's fashionable shops today when she was invited by Queen Mary for a sight-seeing and shopping tour. A reception in her honor was given this afternoon at the American Women's club.

"The conference was entirely satisfactory," That was the only comment obtainable from President Wilson today following a three-hour conference with Premier Lloyd George and Arthur Balfour. It was learned today that the conferences were for the purpose of developing the situation which leads the President and his advisors to assume it is possible to speed up the preliminary conferences, following a return to Paris. President Wilson is understood to believe it will be possible to make a statement to America shortly explaining what has been done and what has been planned.

ERRETT HOLT WOUNDED.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Holt Receive Official Notice Today.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Holt received word today that their son, Errett Holt, who is attached to the 7th engineers in France, had been wounded in action. The parents received a letter from their son of Nov. 27, written from a base hospital in France, saying that he was wounded, but was doing alright and would soon be recovered.

A brother of Errett, Lieut. A. B. Holt, is attached to the 8th Aero Squadron.

FAY CORROUGH IN NEW YORK.

Wounded Nodaway County Boy Arrives in New York Dec. 23.

Fay Corrough, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Corrough of Arkoe, has been returned from France and arrived in New York Dec. 23. His parents received a message from their son on the evening of the 23rd, saying he had arrived safely and was feeling fine.

Fay is attached to the 356th regiment and has been in the hospital for some time recovering from wounds received in action. He has been in service in France since June.

Guest at Aley Farm.

Samuel Burris of Malvern, Ia,, is visiting at the home of his uncle, C. A Aley and family living near Arkoe. Young Burris is in training at the Lincoln, Neb., camp and is en route to his home.

Announce Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Collinsworth of Ravenwood, announce the birth of a daughter December 26.

THE WEATHER.

Unsettled and somewhat colder tonight; Saturday partly cloudy.

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(By W. C. VanCleve).

William Hohenzollern still has much to be thankful for. He has so far escaped his just deserts.

That Paris newspaper man who misread a cipher dispatch and styled Woodrow Wilson "the great European interrogation point" may be not far wrong. He may have them all guessing before they are through.

"Me und Gott haf dissolved partnership," says Kaiser Bill, and Gott will have to worry along alone while the ex-kaiser looks after personal interests of great importance.

A MERRY TIME AHEAD.

If the President calls an extra session of Congress next spring, there is prospect of a merry war among republicans before the House and Senate are organized. The friends of minority leader Jas. R. Mann of Illinois, believe he has earned the Speakership by reason of long service and peculiar fitness for the place but there are unmistakable signs of a determined effort to confer this honor upon Representative Gillett of Massachusetts, now a member of the appropriations committee. The progressive element is also grooming Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, son-in-law of Theodore Roosevelt. The Speakership is a plum worth while but there are signs of breakers ahead already.

In the Senate, the republicans will have a very narrow majority. They are accredited with only two under the most favorable circumstances and one of them, the Michigan millionaire, may have a hard fight before he is admitted to a seat. He will have to convince both the Senate and the courts that a man isjustified in spending several hundred thousond dollars in an effort to secure a nomination and election.

Whether he is seated or not, there is a very earnest conviction among the more progressive element of republican Senators, such as Norris of Nebraska, Kenyon of Iowa, and Borah of Idaho, that the best interests of the old party demand that the legislation of the next Congress be not shaped and controlled by certain standpatters of the old school. Senators Penrose of Pa., Lodge of Mass., Smoot of Utah, and Warren of Wyoming, are the big four among the conservatives and now hold places on all the most important committees. If the seniority rule continues to govern, the big committee, will be headed as follows:

Warren will be chairman of the Agriculture and Forestry, Appropriations, Military Affairs, and Public Buildings and Grounds committees. And he will be on the Rules Committee.

Penrose will be chairman of the Finance, Naval Affairs, Postoffices and Postroads, and the Expenditures in the Department of State Committees. Also, he will be on the Immigration and Education and Labor Committees.

Lodge will head the Foreign Relations Committee, and will be on the Finance, Manufactures, and Naval Affairs Committees.

Smoot will be chairman of the Public Lands, Printing, and Expenses of the Senate Committees, and will be a member of the Appropriations, Finance Pensions, and Civil Service Committees.

The committee on finance will control revenue and tax legislation; the committee on appropriations will control the appropriation bills; the committee on foreign relations will control foreign policies, and so on. Since these four men are now and will be on practically all the more imporant committees of the Senate, it is easy to see that, by this sort of interlocking directorate, they can dictate the acts of the Senate on legislation of general importance. All they have to do is to stand together as they stood in the past.

Senator Norris has introduced a resolution to change the order of things and declares he will carry the fight into the next Congress. He will have some strong support and a wide break is in sight as the old guard refuses to entertain a suggestion of giving up any of their coming power. Will Hays, republican national chairman, has been called in to try and settle the difficulty but Senator Penrose, for instance, has told him to mind his own business which ended the conference. An exceedingly interesting session is ahead.

Missouri's Shame.

Figures prepared by Superintendent of Schools Lamkin show that Missouri ranks thirty-second among the States in literacy, the same position that it held 10 years ago. Four per cent of the adult population of the State can neither read nor write English. Yet in assessed wealth Missouri ranks tenth.

Lamkin's figures are an indictment of every legislature that has met in Missouri for the past decade; they are an indictment of every school district in the State that has one native-born, grown up illiterate within its boundaries and an indictment of the State as a whole.

One of the great troubles of Missouri is that it has thousands of mossbacks—and by that word we do not mean farmers alone—who vote no on every measure that has the word "tax" in it; others who figure that "eddication" is not necessary because they have managed to make a competence without having attended school, and still others who have a vague idea of education as something that makes aristocrats of good democrats.

If the sole aim of life is to make a living and get through the span like the animals of the field, then education is indeed a waste of time. If education is to be regarded solely as a means to money-making, then, again, it is a futile accomplishment.

Education is something bigger than that. Education is civilization; education is progress; education is the soul of life. Without education there can be no uplifting thought, no reform and no reaching for better things. Education—the development of thought—is what distinguishes man from the ape in the tree tops.

When the legislature meets next month its first duty should be to see that steps be taken to make Missouri rank at least as high in literacy as in wealth. Let us have little red schoolhouses at the forks of every creek in the State, even if it is necessary to pull down the county courthouse for the material with which to build it. Let us teach our children to think; if we don't there will shortly be nothing in the State worth thinking about.—St. Louis Republic.

Forum-ettes

By the way what has become of the old fashioned farmer who, at this season of the year used to bring the editor a bushel of apples or a turkey?

And, speaking of olden times again, isn't it a wonder, in the light of modern materia medica that more children didn't die of some germ disease in the bad old days when the school boy and girl spit on their fists and used them to clean the slate?

Speaking about who's boss a Maryville man says at his home his daughter bosses her mother, mother bosses the dog and he raises old Ned with the gold fish and canary.

Borrow a quarter from a man and he never forgets it and looks at you every time he meets you like you was "pizen" and then when you return it he declares he had forgotten all about it. He lies.

"Why don't Mr. Taft advise Teddy to get in the band wagon of the League of nations?" asks the Dallas (Texas) News. Don't the News know that Teddy wouldn't get in any old wagon unless he could sit in the seat and drive?

Yessir, we're "agin" democracy if democracy permits a man with a rotten breath to stick his face close when he is talking to you

With all the boys coming home it looks as though the fatted calf might save himself lots of grief by flirting his tail and hiking for the tall timber.

"Elder, how would you like to be a 'cootie' and chew on some fair damsel?" asked a member of our congregation, as he helped himself to a Christmas cigar that a friend had laid on my desk. I would not be a 'cootie' sir. If a pest at all, 'I'd choose to be a chigger, then when I got a whack at her I'd have a deeper digger.

A man never realizes how many faults he has until he retires from a pleasant hour spent in conversation with his wife.

Maybe you have not heard this one: A school teacher met a man on the street whom she thought she knew and stopped him and spoke to him. He stared blankly at her and she saw she was talking to a stranger. She smiled sweetly and explained to the bewildered gentleman: "I beg your pardon, I thought at first you were the father of one of my children."

Getting Full Value of Flowers.

Highly ornamental vases are attractive in themselves but, as flower holders, they may be said to be partial failures, as they do not serve their purpose to the fullest extent. They rather attract attention to themselves, than set off the blooms for which they are designed. A vase of plain material or color, or one on which the design is obscure, is more to be desired, as it presents the flowers in their full beauty, and does not distract one's attention. In the same way, a vase of lusterware, of a shade that blends with the flowers it holds, is far more attractive than one of contrasting color. Vases that are to be used for all kinds of flowers might better be green, of a dull shade, as this resembles the plant coloring and is not noticeable.

Not Defenseless.

The tale of little George Washington and the cherry tree is of more than dubious authority; but a mother who recently related it to her small son learned that, if it is to be used for the edification of young Americans it is better, at least, served plain, with no attempt at enhancement or emphasis. She had described young George's enthusiastic felling of the tree with his new implement, and the fateful arrival of his father upon the scene. She pictured Augustine Washington as an elderly, stern and stately parent of the old school, with cocked hat and cane. She proceeded impressively:

"But George could not tell a lie. He told the truth, even though his father stood with the cane in his hand!"

"But," said Jimmy breathlessly "George had the hatchet, hadn't he?"—Youth's Companion.

Hospital Humor.

In an American hospital in France a lieutenant who had lost both his legs in battle received a package from his wife. In it were six pairs of socks. Raising himself as best he could in the cot, the lieutenant said:

"Say, boys, what am I going to do with these now?"

"I guess you're just out of luck," was the reply.

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Soldier's History of Service Told by Stripes and Medals

Does that ribbon with green in it mean the Croix de Guerre or service on the Mexican Border?

"What does the Distinguished Service Medal look like?"

"How can you tell wound stripes and service stripes?"

"What are all those different cords on the soldiers' hats?"

These are a few of the questions that are asked concerning the American soldiers' insignia by the lay folk who, full of eager interest, confess that even the American Army and Navy "get them all mixed up," says a writer in the New York Times. Nobody wants to mistake a French War Cross for the badge worn by a sharpshooter, or to announce that a soldier is in the infantry "because he has a grayish cord that gray cord marks the wearer as in that grty cord markes the wearer as in the service of the tanks. Everyone knows how to tell a lieutenant from a major, but concerning the intracacies of smaller insignia there are many questions asked.

Perhaps the questions asked most often now that many of our heroes have come home, for a time at least, are about wound and service stripes. The army's chevrons for six months' foreign service and for a wound are just alike—a V-shaped gold stripe for each six months of service, or for each wound.

The difference is that the "service stripes" are worn on the left sleeve just above the cuff, the wound stripes on the right. There is also a chevron of light blue for less than six months of foreign service. Perhaps the time-honored method of the landlubber in remembering "which was which" between "port" and "starboard"—that the one was "left" that had the same number of letters—may be most helpful here: "right" is "wound"—five letters each.

Another subject of inexhaustible interest and well-nigh inexhaustible complexity is that of decorations and ribbons of various kinds. The difficulty is simply that there are so many of them. We see many soldiers with ribbon bars nowadays. Here are the meanings of those in which we are most interested:

The Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the President "to any person who since April 6, 1917, has distinguished himself or herself by extraordinary heroism in connection with direct military operations;" It is a bronze cross bearing an eagle. Its ribbon is of red, white and blue—a wide blue center, a narrow white stripe on each side, a wider red stripe at each end.

The Distinguished Service Medal, a round bronze medal bearing the eagle, is awarded by the President "to any person who has distinguished himself or herself by exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility in time of war." Its ribbon has a white center, not so wide as the center blue of the ribbon of the D. S. C., with a narrow blue stripe on each side, and wider red stripes at the ends. These like the wound and service chevrons, are rewards authorized by the President for service in the present war.

The ribbon of the French War Cross, which many young Americans have won during the war, is red and green—a green ground with five equidistant red stripes.

The badge for service on the Mexican Border has a wide green center, flanked by narrow stripes of blue; on each side of these are slightly wider stripes of yellow; the ends are narrow stripes of green. The badge for foreign service has as its center, a narrow stripe of buff, then on each side a tripe of red, then one of white, with ends of light blue.

These are a few out of many campaign ribbons and badges of merit, service or heroism. A good deal of interest attaches, too, to the marks of especial skill in shooting. The sharpshooter's badge is a Maltese Cross with a bar above it. The expert rifleman may wear a device consisting of a pair of rifles crossed on a wreath. The pistol expert's badge is similar, but smaller; it is a pair of pistols crossed on a wreath.

The marksman's badge is a plain bar. On the bars of all these medals the meaning of them is printed in good plain letters—"marksman," "expert rifleman," or whatever it may be; but of course the letters are too small to be read in passing by the man on the street.

Each branch of the army service has its special cord for the campaign hat of noncommissioned officer or enlisted man. The infantry is gray-blue; cavalry, yellow; artillery, red; aviation, green and black; ordnance, red and black; tank, clear gray; commissary, green; police reserve, green and white; medical corps, maroon aand white; machine gun, dull blue, with a red tassel; Quartermaster Corps, buff; engineers, red and white; Signal Corps, orange and white; chemical service, bright blue and yellow; cadets, gray and black; chaplain, black; and officers' training corps, red, white and blue. Officers below the rank of brigadier general wear hat cords of gold and black, brigadier generals and officers above that rank plain gold. In the Marine Corps only officers wear hat cords.

Most people know the shoulder insignia of officers' rank—the lower ranks at least. A lieutenant general wears three silver stars on his shoulder; major general two, and brigadier general one. The colonel's sign of rank is the silver spread eagle, the lieutenant colonel's the silver leaf, the major's the gold leaf. A captain wears two silver bars, a first lieutenant one. But many Americans do not know that the gold bar that is the second lieutenant's insignia is an innovation in this war.

Promising Opening.

The traveling showman was waxing eloquent as he described the characteristics of his wild horse from Tartary.

"Ladies and gents," he said, "this hanimal is a real terror. If there's any gent in this comp'ny as fancies hisself as a rider, I'll give him five pounds for every minute he sticks on this hoss. I've rid hosses all my life, but this hoss is beyond me. I've tried 'im every way, but 'e shakes me off in ten seconds."

"Why not get inside him?" queried a humorist.

The showman waited until the laughter had died down.

"My lad," he said, witheringly, "I've thought of that. But nature has been unkind to 'im in the matter of mouth; it ain't big enough. Now, if it 'ad been yours—"

But the humorist did not wait to hear the logical conclusion of the hypothesis.

SEATTLE OFFICER TELLS OF TROUBLE

Collins Was Nearly Down and Out—Gains 25 Pounds by Taking Tanlac.

"A medicine that will do as much for suffering people as this Tanlac has done for me is certainly worth recommending to the public and I can't say too much for it," said John W. Collins, of 1214 East Columbia street, Seattle, while in a Bartell drug store, recently. Mr. Collins has been a resident of Seattle for the past thirteen years, and is a popular member of the police force.

"When I began taking Tanlac," Mr. Collins continued, "I weighed only one hundred and fifty pounds and was in such a bad condition that I could not patrol my beat. But, I now weigh one hundred and seventy-five pounds—and am feeling fine. I have had trouble with my stomach for several years. Nearly everything I would eat disagreed with me. My food would almost invariably sour and keep me filled with gas and misery most all the time. Then some time ago I had a fall of about thirty feet which came near putting me out of commission. On top of this I had an attack of grippe and I simply got to where I was just about down and out. My whole body seemed full of neuralgia and rheumatism and I ached all over. Every joint in me ached and the pain in the left side of my back, over my kidneys, was so severe at times that I could hardly stand it. Nothing did me any good and finally I just had to give up my position, stop working entirely and do nothing but try to find relief. My sleep was very poor and I kept falling off in weight until I got down to one hundred and fifty pounds.

"Then I got uneasy about my condition, went to Colorado and stayed there for a while, but never did get any better until I began taking Tanlac, and then I commenced climbing right up. I have used six bottles now and have gotten rid of all that neuralgia and rheumatism entirely and never feel an ache or a pain. My appetite is great and my stomach is in such a good shape that I can eat just anything I want without the least trouble afterwards. I now sleep like a log every night and am in splendid condition in every way. I'm going back tomorrow, and I cheerfully recommend Tanlac to everybody."

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Tibbetts-Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Tibbetts of this city announce the marriage of their daughter, Ethel E., to J. Lawrence Nicholson, on Wednesday, Dec. 25.

For Kansas City Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baublits of Graham gave a dinner party Christmas day complimentary to their guests, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Seaton and daughter, Virginia Lee of Kansas City.

Christmas Day Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Bellows were the hosts of a Christmas dinner served at one o'clock. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Chandler and daughters, Marie and Katherine, Mr. and Mrs. Will F. Phares, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Thomas, Miss Clara Sturm and Lou Grems and daughter, Mayme.

Entertains in Honor of Mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mounts, living southeast of the city entertained with a Christmas dinner party Wednesday in honor of Mr. Mounts' mother, Mrs. N. J. Mounts of Schuyler, Neb., who is visiting at their home. The event was also arranged to celebrate the eighty-third birthday anniversary of the honor guest. Plates were laid for Mrs. N. J. Mounts, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brunk, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mounts, and son, Fredrick of Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Mounts, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGinness and daughter, Beverly Ione, Miss Ethel Duff, Miss Iva Mounts and the hosts.

Applebys Entertain With Dinner Party.

Mr. and Mrs. John Appleby celebrated Christmas day by entertaining a party of dinner guests who were Mr. and Mrs. William Appleby and son, Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Welhanes of Haypo, S. D., Ward Appleby of Marshall, Minn., and Misses Velma and Flora Appleby.

Entertains Son's Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green of Pickering gave a dinner yesterday entertaining their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Jr., and son,s Harold and Eldon of this city.

Entertain Christmas Guests.

Goodpastures Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Goodpasture and son, Edwin, entertained guests at Christmas dinner complimentary to Miss Lois Goodpasture, who is spending the holidays with home folks. The additional guests included Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodpasture, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kellar, Miss Elizabeth Keller, Charles Goodpasture and Ivan Keller.

Wallace Family Party on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace gave a dinner and Christmas tree party Wednesday at their home, 1013 East Fifth street, at which their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mutz and son, Walter, Mrs. Melissa Casteel, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Jr., and sons, Harold and Eldon and Frank Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Lutz entertained guests at a dinner party Christmas day at their home near Quitman. Those who enjoyed the day with their hosts were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bright, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brummett, Mrs. Jake Dean and daughters, Elma and Ruby, Mrs. Ellen Culver and daughters, Cecil and Golda, Mrs. Edna Brummett and daughter, Edwyna, Marvel Harris, Walter and Henry Lutz, J. H. and Manford Dean.

Entertains for Visiting Sailor.

Miss May Shipps entertained a party of friends Tuesday evening complimentary to Charles Wells from the Great Lakes naval training station, who spent a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wells. The guests were Misses Alma and Eva Tabler, Misses Myrtle and Anna Wells, Misses Opal and Neva Key, Charles and Malcolm Wells and Glen Tabler. Mr. Wells returned to the naval camp yesterday.

In Honor of Lloyd Hartley.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hartley entertained a party of young folks last night in honor of their son, Lloyd, who is spending the holiday vacation at home. Rook furnished the amusement of the evening. The guests were Claude Glass, Forrest Gillam, Philip Colbert, Lee Strickler, James Halasey, Virgil Rathbun, Myron Baker, Howard Martin, William Van Cleve and Melvin Neal.

Romassers Entertain Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Romasser entertained at a Christmas dinner party Judge and Mrs. V. L. Drain and daughter, Miss Katherine and son, V. L., Jr., of Shelbyville, Mo., and Mrs. Martha E. Turner.

McLaughlin-Staples.

Harold Staples of this city, who is teaching the high school at Spokane, Wash., and Miss Bernice McLaughlin, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McLaughlin of Spokane, were married December 12, at the home of the bride's parents.

Dowdens Entertain Family Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dowden gave a dinner Christmas day, entertaining Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dowden, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dowden, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dowden and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dowden, Mrs. Clarence Dowden and son, Donald, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morris and family.

Gaugh Christmas Dinner.

Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Gaugh of Burlington Junction entertained their children and families with a dinner Christmas day noon. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gaugh and children of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Reece and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker and daughter of Burlington Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson Entertain Christmas Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson entertained a number of relatives and friends with a Christmas day dinner at the Wilson home near Graham. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex, Mr. and Mrs. John Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gex, Jr., Mrs. Mollie Kemper, Miss Bettie Gex, Miss Bessie Kemper and Fred Kemper, all living south of Maryville and Arthur Noid of this city.

Mrs. Catterson Entertains.

Mrs. Omar Catterson entertained at dinner yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Hal Catterson and children.

McKee-Swaney.

At a simple home wedding ceremony at noon on Christmas day at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. R. McKee of Pickering, Miss Lois McKee was married to Henry Swaney of Burlington Junction. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. T. Alsup of Pickering. The home was beautiful in decorations of Christmas emblems and colors. The bride wore a pretty suit of midnight blue with hat, gloves and shoes to match. A dinner was served to the wedding guests, who were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Loch and daughter, Pauline, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gray and daughter, Ruby, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Swaney and sons, Herbert and Lester, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. McMillen, Mrs. Otis Faulkener, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Neal and son, Ernest Swaney, Mrs. J. N. Neal and son, Ernest Swaney, Fern, Fay, Claud and Raymond McKee.

Lloyd Dinner Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Lloyd gave a Christmas dinner Wednesday noon at their home on West Third street, entertaining the family relatives. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lloyd, David Denning, Ulysses Lloyd, Clarence and Lucy Lloyd and the hosts.

Entertains for Son and His Bride.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Clayton of Pickering gave a dinner party Christmas day in honor of their son and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clayton, whose marriage took place December 11, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Aley near Arkoe. The table was beautifully decorated with holly and ferns and the holiday colors were used in the rooms. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Aley, Misses Nellie and Jessie Clayton, Misses Irene and Verna Aley and Russell Clayton.

Celebrates Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Madison Goodson are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today at their home on West First street by having all their children and their families home for the day. The five children are: Eugene Goodson, living at Lincoln, Nebr., Ira A., of the firm of M. Goodson & Co., of Ravenwood, Mrs. O. S. Nisja of Montezuma, Colo., Mrs. D. M. Bishop of Ravenwood and Miss Frank Goodson at home. In March following their marriage, which took place at Chillicothe, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Goodson came to Missouri and in 1873 came to Nodaway county, settling near Ravenwood, and have lived there continuously since. Last year they moved to Maryville to make their home. The Goodson family is one of the prominent substantial families of the county and a host of friends are congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Goodson on this glad occasion in their lives.

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Almost Lost Precious Card.

One of those "absentee registrants" signed up at the city postoffice one day last week, and received his registration card for transmission to his local board in his home town.

This man must have been an absent-minded registrant as well, as the sequel will show. He calmly placed the registration card in an envelope, addressed the envelope to his local board, put on the stamp, and walked out into the street.

As he passed a trash box he dropped the letter into the opening and went his way with a clear conscience of having done his first duty under the man power law.

Luckily for him, a postman coming out of the building saw the mistake he made and rescued the letter from the trash. By this time the registrant had boarded a car, so the letter carrier dropped the letter containing the precious card into the letter box.—Washington Star.

Birdmen's Patron Saint.

The cardinal archbishop of Westminster, who has initiated the Guild of St. Michael for Airmen, invites all Roman Catholic airmen "to place themselves under the protection of St. Michael by joining the guild." No one could desire a doughtier champion, remarks a London paper, but the choice of the Russian airmen, who in the early days of the war decided on Elijah as their patron saint, is perhaps even more plausible. It is, at all events, plain that these days have given an entirely new meaning to the phrase, "prince of the powers of the air."

Every Sensation.

The following is from a letter written by a member of the United States tank forces in France: "I ran the gamut of all sensations from fear to hatred, and the latter was what I carried away. Any nation that fills the bodies of the dead with bombs in order to kill the chaps that come out to bury them, has no consideration from me, and that is what the Germans do, among other things."

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PASS SUMMER IN TEMPLES

Peking Custom of Which the Only Merit Is Assurance of Absolute Peace and Quiet.

"Temple parties" constitute a popular form of diversion for the summer months in Peking. The hills to the westward are dotted with so-called temples—rambling compounds of one-story buildings built centuries ago by emperors in memory of departed ancestors. The buildings invariably surround a paved court or often a series of such courts, shaded as a rule by century-old trees. In the temple proper is still to be found a gigantic "Buddha" or idol before whom joss-sticks are lighted at intervals by priests and acolytes, of whom there are generally a half dozen all told, occupying a portion of the compound.

It is quite easy and inexpensive to secure the use of one of these temples—one or more of the unoccupied subsidiary buildings—for a week-end, a week or the whole summer. They are entirely without furniture except insofar as a raised platform whereon the Chinese used to sleep might be called furniture. Once installed the occupant enjoys absolute peace and quiet by day. As a rule he sleeps in the company of one of the lesser "Buddhas," who is hidden behind a curtain. The only intrusion upon his privacy occurs when the priest or acolyte brings food and places it before the idol and returns later to remove what the rats have left of it.

A number of the oldtimers in Peking have their temple leased year after year and pass the summer there. For the novice, owing to the general lack of everything that makes for comfort, once is enough. It is a thing, however, that everybody must do once.

CRITICISM MUST BE KINDLY

Nothing Good Can Come of Method Which Does Not "Speak the Truth in Love."

There is the story of a contentious man who said to his pastor, "I cannot preach or pray or sing, but I can raise objections." Such men are not rare. There is one, at least, in almost every church, club, lodge or society of whatever kind. The critic is ever with us. And, candidly, we need him. We cannot do our best work without him. He is like the brake in the mechanism of a motor-car. He holds us back when we would go too fast. If at times he delays our progress, he is necessary to our safety. His conservatism counteracts the possible evils of radicalism. Much might be said for the economy of criticism.

But the method of criticism is also important. The brake should work smoothly. The critic need not destroy the organism he proposes to reform. Often the effect of his criticism is wholly destructive. Sometimes his methods remind us of the man who set fire to a barn to rid it of rats. A sensitive spirit who had been harshly treated by a critic retorted, "I know there is a cinder in my eye, but you can't remove it with a crowbar."

The apostolic injunction, "speaking the truth in love," gives the critic a safe rule of action. No truth, however severe, is unwelcome, if it be spoken in love. It takes the spirit of Christ to take the sinner by the hand the while we take sin by the throat.—Christian Herald.

Be Courteous Always.

Next to honesty courtesy is the best asset. Remember few people or firms have such a monopoly of products that they can afford to be discourteous. There are thousands of people who prefer courteous treatment to superior goods. There is no reason why they should not have both. But if one or the other must suffer the courteous chap will win out. That explains why the store with the highest grade of goods does not always have the crowds. People like to be treated as though they counted in the world's economy. Whether they do or not makes little difference. Let them think they do and they will boost your business to people who do. You secure their good will through courtesy and they join the ranks of your advertisers. Men of business insight have learned this long ago.

Birds Live Fast.

As a rule, birds do not live very long, but they live fast. They have a higher temperature, breathe more rapidly and also have a more rapid circulation than other vetebrates. This is necessary in order to generate the requisite force to sustain their active bodies, and a large quantity of food is required. As a matter of fact, birds devote most of their waking hours to obtaining seeds, berries and other kinds of food. The activity of birds in the pursuit of insects is still further stimulated by the fact that the young of most species, even those by no means strictly insectivorous, require quantities of animal food in the early weeks of existence, so that during the summer months—the flood time of insect life—birds are compelled to redouble their attacks on insect foes to satisfy the wants of their clamorous young.

Ready for Emergencies.

Cactus Cal (in the Wild West)—Thet there new minister of our'n ain't no tenderfoot. See, he's usin' his left hand ter shake hands with th' members of his congregation.

Englishman—What does that action signify?

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HELPS AGED WOMAN PRISONER.

Loren Baublitts Writes From American Camp in Belgium.

Loren Baublitts, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baublitts of Graham, has written the following very interesting letter to his home folks:

France, Nov. 26, 1918.

Dear Folks: As I have time and the censorship is partly lifted, I will try to write and tell you where I have been. We landed at Brest on August 25, after staying there we took a train to Riermont in southern France, about 30 miles from Metz. After staying there about two months we took a train up to Bannoncourt, about 20 miles from Verdun. From Bannoncourt we marched about 12 miles into Camp Chanois, in the Argonne woods. These woods adjoin Verdun all around. From there we moved to a little town by name of Noyers, near to Barle Don. From Noyers we moved by motor truck to the city of Dun. The Americans drove the boche out of there about two weeks ago. Most all of these towns and cities are completely ruined. From Dun we came to our present place in Belgium. This place is not ruined, as the Germans have held it since 1914 and just left here one week ago. They took everything of any value with them. The people are sure glad to get liberated; they are all very poor, as the Huns have taken everything they had for the last four years. The people all moved away from the ruined towns or were taken prisoners into Germany.

Dun is a town about the size of St. Joseph, and there is not a building standing intact. While we were there an old lady 85 years old, who had been a prisoner in Germany, came back to find her home completely destroyed, and all her relatives killed or gone, and nothing to eat. The boys of our company fixed her up for awhile with money and eats.

I do not know, but I think our outfit intends following the Huns on in home or to the Rhine.

There are souvenirs here, but it takes money to get them. The helmets cost about $5.00 in our money and the pistols about $25.00. I am not going to carry many souvenirs until I get ready to come home.

We can get waffles to eat in this town, but there is no syrup or sugar here.

I will mail you some cards from now on.

Well, I must close for this time, hoping to hear from you soon.

As ever,

PVT. LOREN H. BAUBLITS,
Co. C, 326th Field Sig. Bn., A. E. F.

HAS GOOD WORD FOR CROW

Australian Writer Points Out Occasions When Bird Becomes a Real Benefactor to Mankind.

There are those who say that the crow deserves no mercy. There is no other pest eradicator, imported or otherwise, doing its bit so patriotically as the self-same crow. In Bananaland, Australia, says the Sydney Bulletin, the ravages of the sheep-maggot fly must make a loss of hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of jumbuck every year, about the only difference in one season being that the damage is probably greater than the last. Were it not for the bird whom no one has a good word for, the fly pest would soon duplicate itself with losses to sheep-owners increased accordingly. Every dead sheep or piece of offal in the bush is the depository of the eggs of unimaginable numbers of prospective sheep destroyers. Just about the time that the grubs are the size of a grain of rice, and a few days before they burrow into the soil, where they remain for about 15 days before coming forth, as a developed sheep-maggot fly, Brother Crow spies out the colony. Then he sends the glad tidings by wireless system, and all the family within range hurries to the banquet. When it is over a supply of grubs for the next meal has to be found elsewhere.

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RAY KINNEY WRITES.

Enjoys Freedom From Shell Fire and Bullets.

Ray W. Kinney, a former employe of the Townsend Grocery Company, has written the following letter to his mother, Mrs. Fred R. Kinney, living at Stella, Mo.:

November 14.

Dear Folks: Of course you have heard the good news and I suppose you are just as happy as we are over here. Believe me, it is good to be free from bullets and shells and especially to be able to sit by a nice warm fire instead of a hole in the ground while I write this letter. It is getting quite cold here and the last few nights there has been considerable ice. I am certainly glad this war has ended before cold weather sets in, as it would have caused much suffering had it continued through the winter. Of course, there will be a great deal yet for us to do, but the fighting seems to be over. And it shouldn't be many months before we return to the good old U. S. A. I am feeling fine and getting along well, too. In fact, I have enjoyed the best of health ever since I came over here. Was fortunate enough to come through the thick of things without any mishaps, but at times it seemed like there was no chance at all of getting through alive. One who has never been through a battle knows nothing whatever about it and can't even picture it in their minds. But believe me, those who have, been there know all about it and will never forget it.

We are in a very pretty country now and it is not badly torn up like some places we have been in. It would not be a bad country to live in.

RAY W. KINNEY,
Co. G, 357th Infantry.

Skidmore Visitor Here.

James Everett Pierpoint, Jr., will arrive from Skidmore tonight to visit Douglas W. Haynes, who is visiting in Maryville with his mothher, Mrs. J. E. Pierpoint and his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Montgomery of West Third street.

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YOUR SYSTEM YOU SHOULD FORTIFY—WITH MEAT WHOSE QUALITY IS HIGH!

Are you building up your health fortifications? The way to fortify your health is with pure foods. The kinds of meats we sell will help fortify your system.

Watch for Mr. Happy Party.

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Classified ads running three days or more will be inserted in this column for one-half cent per word each insertion. No ads taken for less than 25c for three days.

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Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for CASH with order. An extra charge of Five Cents will be made on all Want Ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—12 extra good Poland China sows; 4 white sows. These sows are all pure bred. C. C. Graves, one mile west Maryville. 5tf.

CORN FOR SALE—New No. 3 mixed shelled, due at Burlington station. Get particulars. Elmer Fraser. 24-27

FOR SALE—Cupboard, cook stove, couch, dresser, iron beds, springs and mattress, child's iron bed, tables, stands, dining room chairs, block and tackle and 200 feet new 1-inch rope, farm wagon, cultivator, steel harrow. Call at 203 West 12th St., Thursday, Friday and Saturday. 24-27*

FOR SALE—Climcher Felt Weather Strips to keep out cold around windows and doors—and save fuel. Hall's Implement Store, one block north P. O.

FOR SALE—Ford truck or will exchange for Ford roadster. Farmers garage. 26-28*

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Front suite of office rooms over Graham-Latimer store. Sisson Loan & Title Co. 10tf.

FOR RENT—4 room cottage and 6 room dwelling. Chas. Hyslop. 19-tf

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Baled wheat or rye straw. Maryville Feed & Milling Co. 20-27

WANTED—Man with small family to work on farm. Inquire here. 24-27.*

WANTED—Wide awake farmers and investors to investigate the low priced farm land of Southwestern Louisiana. Good soil, crops and climate. Ask for description and prices. Geo. H. Meek, Lock Box 235. 26-28*

WANTED—Description, location and price of your farm, or city property, if you want to sell it. Reasonable commission. Geo. H. Meek, Lock Box 235. 26-28*

LOST—Automobile chain, between town and 4 miles south. Leave at Farmers garage. 26-28*

Unfurnished rooms, ground floor. Place in good location, 202 E. First St. 26-28*

WANTED—Farmers to see our self-feeders. Call at Crown Hog and Cattle Powder Co., block north of P. O. 26-28

LOST—Between H. D. Snyder property and August Stapler's residence, on East 4th street, $45 in bills. Finder call 6323 and receive reward. D26tf

LOST—A yellow and white collie, scar on left front leg. L. D. Lynch, Farmers 47-22. Reward. 26-28

DOLL UP—Get a hair cut, shave and shine, and see how good you look. Dick Strong's. 27-30

LOST—Small pocket book cantaining $20 bill and padlock key. Finder return to Wm. Everhart and receive reward. 27-30

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CORN—Jan., $1.47⅝; February, $1.43¼; March, $1.42½.

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000; steers, $16@$19; cows, $6@$13.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,500; top, $17.65; bulk, $17@$17.45.

PRODUCE MARKET

Eggs	55
Butter fat, per lb	68c
Springs, per lb	19c
Hides, per lb	14c
Hens, per lb	20c
Ducks, per lb	15c
Geese, per lb	15c
Turkeys, per lb	17c to 25c
Old Roosters, per lb	13c

Private Harvey F. Lucas and C. F. Richards of the U. S. S. Indiana are house guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Lucas. Young Richards willleave today to report for duty on ship board.

TELLS OF SOLDIER'S DEATH.

Ray Puckett Tells News of Warren Reaksecker, Who Died Nov. 30.

The Rev and Mrs. T. J. Puckett have received the following letter from their son, Ray Puckett, who is attached to the medical corps at the American base hospital at Limoges, France. It was in this hospital that Warren Reaksecker of this city died on November 30 and young Puckett writes his parents some things about his friend:

November 30.

Dear Folks All: * * * Well, did you spend a happy Thanksgiving? I enjoyed mine very much. We had turkey and plenty of it, mashed potatoes, gravy dressing, celery, apples, pie, nuts and smokes, and it was all very good. That evening I ate down at the Hotel de la Paix and they served an American Thanksgiving, turkey, etc., and these French chefs know how to cook. Of course it was nothing compared to being home, but then one should do the next best. I have been anxious to hear if you got my letter telling you of Private Reaksecker and to call up his mother. I had just finished reading your letter this morning when the orderly from the ward brought a report to the office of his death. He died this morning at 10:20. It is too bad, for he sure had lots of nerve and always very cheerful. I was in the ward to see him only a few days ago after he had had a blood transfusion and he said he felt fine and was wondering how long before he would be up. He was very badly wounded in the upper middle of his leg and a severe wound on the ankle of his left foot. The nurse and doctors did all they could for his and said if anyone deserved pulling through he did. There was very little I could do for him myself. I told him I would write you and you could see his mother. I was unable to attend his funeral, but he was buried with military honors in the American cemetery here at Limoges, France. If possible I will get a picture of his grave and give it to his mother when I return. Well, I started this letter Saturday eve and never finished it and here it is Monday night. I thought maybe I would get to take my leave this week, but when they read over the names mine wasn't on. Only 25 go at a time and this is the first bunch to go. I would like to be here Christmas rather than on leave. It is now six months since we landed in France, so we are wearing one service stripe. It really doesn't seem like we have been over here that long, but it seems like a long time since I left home. * * *

RAY J. PUCKETT,
U. S. A. Base Hospital No. 13, France.

The word "plantation" is used principally in the Southern States, where it originated in old slavery times to designate a farm cultivated by negroes, as a cotton plantation or a sugar plantation. In Maine it has a distinctive meaning, representing a form of government smaller than a township.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Sleeps Any Old Way Now.

"I am 50 years old and never was sick until 8 years ago when I got stomach trouble. I have spent a fortune for medicine which did not cure. I kept on suffering and getting worse. A fellow worker told me about Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. After taking three doses I felt like a different man; before taking it I could not lie on my back nor right side. Now I sleep any old way." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucous from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Maryville Drug Co., and druggists everywhere.—Adv.

On the rock of Gibralter and in some parts of England drinking water is obtained by condensation of the abundant dew.

The smallest range of temperature is in Surinam. In summer the average is 78 degrees, and in winter only one-half of a degree less.

The Bolsheviki believe in an extreme form of socialism, with property held in common and apparently a rule by the people without leaders or even representatives. Its advent to power resulted in the stoppage of work and production, and as a natural consequence, a shortage of all materials and food.

SOON AFTER JAN. 1

I will move to the building now occupied by L. R. Holt.

B. A. FROST,
The Produce Man—N. Main

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EYES EXAMINED FREE

Our expert graduate Optometrist tell you what you need. The service is free at

KUCHS BROTHERS
222 North Main St.
will diagnose your eye troubles and

RAW FURS WANTED.

Highest prices at all times. See me before you sell. E. W. BARROCK, at Cook & Vogt's Poultry House. Southeast corner Square.

Auto Radiators Repaired
By
E. W. HEIDEMAN
Opposite Post Office.

THE SISSON LOAN & TITLE CO.
MARYVILLE, MISSOURI
Real Estate, Loans and Insurance
Counting Rooms Over Nodaway Valley Bank
Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.

Our Interest in You

We soon tire of the person who takes no personal interest in us.

Likewise we grow indifferent towards the bank whose officers show no feeling of interest in us.

All we ask is a chance to show you that we are interested in you and can render you a valuable service.

Farmers Trust Co.

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C. D. Bellows, Vice-Pres.
Geo. R. Ellison, Vice-Pres. & Counsel.
S. H. Kemp, Cash. & Sec'y
A. K. Frank, Ass't Sec'y
H. D. Snyder, Ass't Sec'y
A. W. Hoover, Attorney

WHAT A BILLION MEANS.

Few Persons Have Conception of Enormous Amount It Represents.

We hear of billions these days, but it is probable that very few persons have any notion of what an enormous amount of money a billion represents.

We do know, however, how rapidly an expert counter of coins manipulates them. You can scarcely follow the motion of his fingers as he shifts the coins from one pile to another and counts them. The experts in the treasury department will count 4,000 silver dollars an hour and keep this up all day long, but that is their limit.

Working eight hours a day then an expert counter of coin will count 32,000 silver dollars in a day, but how long will it take him at that rate to count a million dollars? Thirty-one days!

But that is only the beginning of the measurements of great figures, for if this same man were to continue to count silver dollars at the same rate of speed for ten years he would find that he had counted only 100,000,000 of them and that to count 1,000,000,000 of them would require 102 years of steady work at the rate of eight hours a day during every working day of every one of the 102 years.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our neighbors and relatives who remembered us with acts of kindness during the sickness and death of our beloved husband, son and brother ,and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. George Meeks,
Mr. and Mrs. Jay Meeks and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Thompson and family.

Here From Omaha.

A. M. Campbell of Omaha is visiting in Maryville with his daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Morehouse and Mrs. Hosick Holmes.

Southern Methodism has 6,150 pastors and 19,311 churches. Eighty-five per cent, or 16,381 churches, have services only once a month. During the last year 819 pastors received less than $4000; 1,268 received less than $500; 1,585 received less than $600. Among all the pastors only 1,723 received more than $1,000.

The first use of the elephant as a pictorial symbol of the Republican party was in 1874, when Thomas Nast, the cartoonist, made it the G. O. P. emblem.

The most powerful animals are vegetarians.

Goodyear and Kelley Springfield Tires

NONE BETTER

Tires are scarce and hard to get and will be more so—Buy lasting tires and take good care of them.

Geo. McMurry

Closing Out Sale

As I am leaving the state, I will sell at the home place, located 2½ miles south and 1 mile east of Maryville, Mo., ½ mile south of Martha Washington schoolhouse, on

Friday, January 3, 1919

commencing at 1 o'clock sharp, the following property:

Horses—2 black mares, 11 and 12 years old; 1 brown mare 10 years old; 1 bay gelding 5 years old.

Cattle—1 choice milch cow, giving 4 gallons milk per day; 1 extra fat cow; 2 yearling steers; 1 yearling heifer; 2 spring calves.

Hogs—3 tried brood sows; 2 gilts.

Hay and Grain—About 4 tons barn hay (loose); about 125 bales bright oat straw; 800 bu. corn in two cribs to be measured, 4200 cubic inches per bushel.

Implements—2 walking cultivators; corn planter, check row attachment; stalk cutter; 2 steel corn troughs; hay frame; corn sheller; walking corn drill; set double work harness; about ten loads of stove wood; 6 bus. potatoes; 25 patent bee hives, and other articles not here mentioned.

Terms—$10 and under, cash; on sums over that amount a credit of 6 months time will be given on a bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest from date. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

Guy E. Stults

R. P. Hosmer, Auct. Jos. Jackson, Jr., Clerk.

Administrator's Sale

I will as administrator of the Geo. Q. Meek Estate, sell at his late home, ½ mile southeast of Maryville, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1919

7 Horses and Mares — Black mare 8 years old, weight 1400; bay mare, smooth mouth; bay mare 7 years old, broke in all harness and gentle; bay saddle bred horse; 3 coming 3-year-old colts (2 mares and 1 horse).

4 Head of Cattle—2 extra good milch cows; 2 spring calves.

23 Head of Hogs—2 bred sows; 4 gilts and 17 head of fall pigs.

Grain, Hay and Feed—About 300 bu. corn; 10 tons of prairie hay; stalk field.

A General Line of Farm Implements.

Some household and kitchen furniture; 7 or 8 cords of sawed stove wood. 1 portable chicken house and numerous other articles.

Terms—$10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months on a bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest from date.

JOHN F. MEEK, Administrator.

R. P. Hosmer, Auct. S. H. Kemp, Clerk.

Sale will start at 1 o'clock prompt.

SEES SON ON SCREEN.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 27.—"There he is! There's John!" shouted Mrs. John Hughes, who with her husband was watching a Hurst-Pathe picture at a movie here. The parents were overjoyed when the picture of their son, Sergeant John H. Hughes, Jr., of the aviation service in France, was thrown on the screen and they "saw him," though he is thousands of miles away.

The River Nile is believed to contain more varieties of fish than any other stream in the world.

According to a British scientist, X-rays are the most extreme rays at the ultra-violet end of the spectrum.

Notice Retail Druggists
No More VapoRub Direct
Buy It From Your Jobber

Effective Immediately, No More Direct Shipments Will be Made Retailers. All shipments Now go to Jobbers for Redistribution.

When the influenza epidemic struck the country and wiped out our warehouse and jobbers' stocks almost overnight, we were faced with the problem of redistributing—to the stricken districts—in the quickest possible manner—our daily output of VapoRub. We solved this by offering to ship direct to the retailers in these influenza districts, by parcel post prepaid, quantities of not more than three dozen VapoRub in any one shipment, and by shipping what was left from our daily production to our jobbers by express instead of freight.

This was costly, but it solved the problem for the time being. Now, however, we find that these small shipments are constantly increasing—we have received as many as 1,306 in a single mail. It is becoming impossible for us to fill these promptly, and instead of distributing our goods more quickly, they are really slowing up the process.

We believe that we can serve you better now by reverting to our former policy of shipping exclusively thru the jobber, and, effective immediately, no more drop shipments will be made.

While we have put on a night shift and have, thereby about doubled our production, we are still unable to fill our back orders and won't be able to furnish each jobber at least twice the quantity of VapoRub that he purchased for the corresponding month last year, so there should not be any difficulty in your getting your pro rata share.

We feel that the public appreciates the service that the retail and wholesale drug trade have rendered the country in this time of stress. We wish to express to both branches of the trade our thanks for the kind co-operation extended us in our efforts to meet this emergency.

THE VICK CHEMICAL COMPANY, Greensboro, N. C.

Holmes & Wolfert

HAVE MOVED THEIR REAL ESTATE OFFICE TO THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE NEW HOLMES BUILDING, west side of square.

THEY INVITE YOU TO CALL and look over their list of farms and city property.

STRONG "outside connections" are fundamentally important to any bank that seeks to serve its community well. City terminals and markets must be kept in constant touch so that business men and farmers, shippers and manufacturers can cooperate to the best interests of themselves and their Government.

No financial institution in this community has more advantageous outside connections than we have in the numerous correspondents with which we transact our commercial business in the various large cities of this state and country.

Nodaway Valley Bank

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NEWS DISPATCHES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

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LOVE THEIR KING

GEORGE OF ENGLAND, LIVES IN HEARTS OF HIS PEOPLE

WAR BINDS TIES CLOSER

Nation Prefers to March Under the Banner of King and Country with Thought of Republic Obnoxious.

(By Carl C. Reeves, I. N. S.)

London, (By Mail).—Many things have been happening to kings of late. What of King George?

King George is an idea, the idea of empire. Not an idea of empire as it means domination; rather, empire of union and co-operation.

This idea which the King represents has been strengthened by the outcome of the war. King George, the person, has won the hearts of the British public. He is the sort of a person the Briton desires for the personification of his idea of empire, or nationality.

The idea and the man have been strengthened in the heart of the average Briton, while the king idea has tottered elsewhere.

Out at the palace a royal family has been watching the wave of Bolshevikism with intentness. The palace has not the same easy facilities for "keeping an ear to the ground" as has an American statesman or politician. Strive as they may for democracy, for an insight into the minds of the people by constant contact, there is a deal of insulation that prevents royalty from reading the heart of the public.

Members of the King's household have been curious to learn in odd and diverse quarters the trend of public opinion.

Reports which may have been carried down the Mall, if an "outsider" can safely judge the feeling of a nation, must have been reassuring, complimentary even in a high degree.

King Edward, it has been reported, was once asked whether he thought the sweep of republicanism would affect his reign or that of his family.

"I shall reign throughout my life," he is said to have replied, "and my son—but not my son's son."

The son's son is the present Prince of Wales."

There have been republicans in England for many years. The new and sudden turn taken by European affairs has caused discussion of republicanism, but "For King and Country" still remains and seems likely to remain for many years the battle cry of Britain in time of war and the expression of the idea of service in times of peace.

The streets and hotels tell the story.

The Briton believes that his empire is good, that it is the best form of government, giving the best service to the greatest number. He believes that it would fall apart under a republic and that the breaking up of the empire would be a bad thing for himself and for the world.

He certainly does not envy the King. King George has his sympathy as an individual, gentle and likable, born to great responsibilities—and to little power.

The average Briton is proud that his King has been as much of a commoner as it is possible for him to be. King George has inspected allotments, viewed prize pigs, appeared unexpectedly, unannounced, unattended at scores of places. He has eaten pancakes with the Yanks, visited munition factories, watched land girls at work in the fields.

For four years he drank no intoxicating liquors of any sort, until he celebrated the signing of the armistice with a glass of champagne. For four years he attended no theaters.

These things are foreign to the average American notion of royalty. They meet with a warm response in England.

Unless some unforseen turn develops Lloyd George's warning, in his opening campaign speech, that English institutions may be endangered by revolution seem unwarranted.

Britain prefers to march under the twin banner of King and Country. The Briton is convinced that he has reached the only workable solution of the King business, and that the King idea is necessary to the continuance of the Empire which has given him opportunity. Apparently it would take a great betrayal to shake him from this belief.

So, when the armistice was signed crowds beseiged the palace. For tens of thousands the King was the first thought. Beneath the royal balcony danced munition girls. The age-old order and the new—reconciled.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE FOWL

By Crossing and Re-crossing Many Breeds, a New Patriotic Fowl Has Been Grown.

It would seem that the wizard, Burbank, has nothing on the man who is said to have developed a breed of red, white and blue chickens and has named them Patriots. Here is the story from the Petersburg (Ill.), Observer:

"The Observer has had its attention called to a new fowl bearing the national colors in its plummage, which is bound to be immensely popular. The poultry breeder who is the first to introduce this patriotic bird in Menard county will make some money. Here is the way the story of this breed of patriots reaches us:

"Since the beginning of the war a new breed of fowls has come into existence, carrying the national American colors, red, white and blue. Logically enough the breed has been given the name of Patriots. The originators of these red, white and blue fowls were R. H. Barnard and Henry H. Shultz, both of Massachusetts. When they started the work of producing a race of hens which should carry the national colors, they had no anticipation of a war in which this country would be involved.

A new breed is not made in a day. More than ten years have been required to bring the Patriots to such a point of perfection that the red, white and blue colors will appear regularly and consistently. As a matter of fact, two varieties have been evolved. One has every feather showing the three colors, red, white and blue. The other has a red head and a red breast, a blue body, white wings and a white tail. The colors are laid on in such a way that they blend nicely, and there is nothing freaky about the appearance of either the hens or the cocks.

Many different breeds have been used in making up the Patriots, among them Barred Rocks, White Leghorns, Blue Andalusians, Rhode Island Reds, Black Minoreas and Blue Wyandottes. The color of the eye of the perfect Patriot is dark red. The ear lobes have proved difficult to handle. Mr. Barnard says that he wanted them red, but to date has been successful in getting two-thirds red and one-third white.

To Spend Winter at Tuscon.

Mrs. Martha E. Turner of this city and her daughter, Mrs. V. L. Drain of Shelbyville, left yesterday afternoon for Tuscon, Ariz., where they will spend the remainder of the winter. Mrs. Drain has been in Maryville for the past two weeks visiting her mother and her sister, Mrs. Augustus Romasser. Her husband Judge Drain, their daughter, Katherine, a student at Howard Payne College, Fayette, Mo., and their son, V. L. Jr., came to Maryville to spend Christmas and accompanied Mrs. Drain and Mrs. Turner as far as St. Joseph yesterday afternoon on their return trip home.

Returns to Naval Camp.

Oakley Colvin returned yesterday to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, where he is in the naval service, after a short furlough spent in this city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Colvin of West Third street

Buys Bus Barn.

J. F. Robinson yesterday purchased the bus barn on North Vine street from C. F. Kelly. The sale was made by Holmes & Wolfert.

Returns to Camp Funston.

Lawrence Keeler returned to Camp Funston yesterday after spending the holidays at his home in this city.

Nick Sturm will leave in the morning for Oklahoma City, where he will spend the next month visiting his son, C. Edward Sturm and family, and his brother, Theodore Sturm.

It has been computed that eight or ten rabbits eat or destroy as much grass as one sheep.

G. Dunkelman

MERCHANT TAILOR

Moved to New Location 409 N. Main St.

AIR ARMY POLITICS?

PLAN TO MAKE PERSHING'S RANK PERMANENT OPPOSED

OTHERS AFFECTED, TOO

Baker Has Recommended Promotions for March and Bliss.—Congress Is Expected to Ask Questions.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Opposition is already developing to promoting Major generals Pershing, March and Bliss to the full rank of general. Thus far the opposition is confined to the military affairs committee which has been informed that Secretary Baker has recommended their promotions to the President. The nominations have not yet been sent to the senate.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Opposition has begun to brew in congress against legislation recommended by the War Department to confer the rank of general and lieutenant general for life upon those now holding those grades temporarily.

The proposed legislation affects General Pershing, General March, General Bliss, Lieutenant General Liggett and Lieutenant General Bullard. They are holding their present ranks only temporarily, and the purpose of the proposed legislation is to extend to them recognition for their services during the war.

There were indications today that the measure may become the vehicle for the airing of army politics kept well under cover during the war. It was suggested that it might furnish an opportunity for bringing out the facts about the keeping of Major General Leonard Wood at home, and the reason for the mysterious recall of Major General Clarence Edwards while under fire with his division at the front. There are many other high army officers, held in high esteem in Congress, smarting over the treatment they have received during the war, and their cases may be held before the spotlight when the measure comes up in the House or Senate.

General Pershing, as commander-in-chief of the expeditionary forces, is responsible, of course, for the removal of officers from command at the front. It has never been officially stated that it was he who brought about the removal of General Wood from command of the 89th Division on the eve of its sailing for France, but uunofficially the responsibility has been laid at his door. The friends of General Wood, General Edwards and others may regard the presentation of the proposed legislation as a timely occasion for calling for a clearingup of the mystery surrounding the shelving and ditching of prominent officers.

TRAIN FOR CENTENARY WORK

Rev. G. S. Cox, Given Charge of Centenary Movement in Three States, Goes to Chicago for Conference.

Rev. Gilbert S. Cox, of the First M. E. Church, left last night for Chicago, where he will attend a training conference for work in the coming Centenary movement of the church. Dr. Cox has been appointed director of the Sunday School work in connection with the movement in three states, Missouri, Arkansas and Southern Illinois, and during the next six months will be actively engaged in visiting points in this territory.

On January 1 there will be a team of Centenary workers here and at night there will be lectures of all of the features of the work and these lectures will be illustrated by stereopticon views. This meeting is open to the general public.

The Centenary movement is in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of missionary work in the Methodist Church. Following a survey of the field it was found that in order to meet the obligations for the next five years it will be necessary to raise $80,000,000 and to get 13,000 trained missionary workers in the field. The Centenary movement is to raise the money power and the man power to carry on the work.

BOLSHEVIKI DEFEATED.

Zurich, Dec. 27.—Troops supporting the Omak government in Russia, defeated the Bolsheviki in battle capturing 8,000 prisoners and much war material, said advices today. Perm has been recaptured from the Bolsheviki.

S. E. Browne of Hopkins, was down today looking after some legal matters.

GUARD TO PLAY VOLLEY BALL

Game Will Be Introduced for First Time Tonight.—Get Ready for Semi-Annual Muster.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Home Guards tonight at the armory there promises to be plenty to interest those who will be there. In addition to the regular drill there will be gallery practise and a game of volley ball The game will be played under the direction of H. P. Swinehart and it is expected that several good teams will be developed. The ball and net used at the Normal have been loaned for the first game and if there is enough interest to warrant, a ball and equipment will be purchased and the game of volley ball will be made a permanent feature.

Gallery practice was held for the first time last Friday night and while some thirty or forty members participated, no perfect scores were made. The "shooters" expect, however, to improve on the record.

Next Monday night will occur the semi-annual muster and inspection of the guard as required by law and Capt. Harry D. Snyder says that excuses will be of no avail. Those who fail to show up for inspection, preferring rather to "keep the home fires burning" will find the long arm of the army stretched forth to yank them from comfortable hearth stones, quiet games of pinochle at the club and to be marched off by the provo guard to serve time in the guard house

PNEUMONIA CAUSES DEATH

James Bragg of Burlington Junction, Dies This Morning.—Funeral Services This Afternoon.

Funeral services for James Bragg, the son of William Bragg, living on the Elihu Carter farm southeast of Burlington Junction, who died at 6:30 o'clock this morning, were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the family home. The young man's death was due to pneumonia following an attack of influenza. The mother died several years ago and the father and five brothers and four sisters survive. They thers and four sisters. They are John, are John, Joe, Sherman, Pleas, Clyde, die, Laura and Fern.

SKIDMORE RESIDENT IS DEAD

Carey Stults, Father of Claude Stults of this City, Dies Last Night—Funeral at Skidmore Tomorrow.

Carey Stults, the father of Claude Stults of this city, died last night at 9 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Bird Rowlette, six and one-half miles southwest of Maryville.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Christian church of Skidmore and the body will be interred in the Skidmore cemetery. Mr. Stults had been ill for some time. He is survived by three children, Claude Stults, Mrs. Rowlette and Mrs. Walter Johnson of Skidmore. He also is survived by two sisters and two brothers, John and James Stults of Skidmore and Mrs. L. M. Armstrong and Mrs. Ed Armstrong of Calumet, Okla.

DOUGLAS HAYNES ON VISIT

In Active Sea Service Six Months on Board U. S. S. Ulysses.—Guest of Mother, Mrs. Pierpoint.

Douglas W. Haynes, who has been in sea service for the past six months on board the U. S. S. Ulysses, arrived in Maryville yesterday to visit his mother, Mrs. J. E. Pierpoint of Skidmore, who is at the Montgomery home and his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Montgomery of West Third street.

Young Haynes is with the armed guard of the Ulysses, a merchant ship which has been doing cargo service for the past six months. The ship guard consists of 22 enlisted men. Young Haynes went with a Harvard unit and is one of the three radio men on the ship. He has been in naval service for a year and on active duty six months. For a month previous to sailing for New York on the last return trip he was at Bordeaux, France. He arrived in New York City Dec. 23 and at Maryville yesterday. He has been given a ten days' furlough and will report for duty Jan. 2.

PRISONERS WERE MURDERED.

Zurich, Dec. 27.—General Foch has occupied Manheim as a result of the murder of several Allied prisoners near that place according to information from the frontier today. Manheim is in Baden, forty-five miles southwest of Frankfort and has a population of 100,000.

PAY MONTHS BEHIND

THOUSANDS OF SOLDIERS' DEPENDANTS ARE COMPLAINING

SPENCER TO KNOW WHY

With 18,000 Clerks in Washington Available for Work, Matter Will Be Brought to Attention.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 27.—Complaints from thousands of soldiers' dependents in Missouri and other state that their allotments from the government are months behind are to be brought before the United States Senate immediately after the holiday recess by Senator Selden P. Spencer of Missouri.

Spencer has drafted a resolution calling for an immediate report from the War Department on how far behind it is in sending these allotments, and when the dependents may expect them.

Senator Spencer has arrived in St. Louis from Washington. He expects to return to the capital in a day or two. He said he was being deluged with complaints from soldiers' dependents in St. Louis and elsewhere in Missouri that they are in actual need because of the government's delay.

"There are 18,000 clerks in Washington available to do this work, and there doesn't seem to be the slightest excuse for the delay," Spencer said. "These boys have left everything to serve their country, and the dependents they have left behind them ought to be the first care of the government. Complaints coming to me show there is actual suffering because of failure to get allotments.

"A railroad corporation is able to pay its employes every two weeks. The government certainly ought to be able to pay children and wives of its fighting men at least once a month. Instead of that, it is months late.

"My resolution will ask the War Risk Department to report just how much of the allotment for August, September and October are unpaid, and when the dependents may expect their December allotments."

PNEUMONIA PROVES FATAL

Mrs. Burton Neff of Elmo Died at Noon Today—Funeral Arrangements To Be Made Later.

Mrs. Burton Neff of Elmo died at 12:30 o'clock today, after a few days' illness with pneumonia which followed influenza. No arrangements have yet been made for the funeral. Mrs. Neff is survived by her husband and several children.

HUNTERS ADD TO STATE FUND

Coutny Clerk Has Received Total of 625 for Licenses Issued.—Makes Report to State Warden.

Nodaway county has contributed $625 to the state through the medium of hunting licenses, according to the annual statement made to the state game and fish warden by county clerk, Fred J. Yeomans.

According to Mr. Yeoman's report the total from 600 county licenses and five state licenses has amounted to $625, with deductions of $16.12 for postage and exchange, $80.55 retained as fees and $88 in returned licenses, $440 being remitted to the state.

This has been a record year for hunters' licenses with more licenses having been issued than for years previous.

Christian Church of Pickering.

Bible school at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. The offering for the Syrian and Armenian relief will be made at this time. Other services of the day as usual.

J. T. ALSUP, Pastor.

Guests of Mrs. E. J. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs Harold Walker of Kansas City, are visiting in Maryville with Mr. Walker's mother, Mrs. E. J. Williams. Mr. Walker is stationed at Detroit, Mich., in a section of the aviation service and has not yet been released from military duty.

Ben Seyster was down from his home at Parnell today looking after business matters.

Returns to Oklahoma.

Miss Julia Denny, who teaches in the schools of Oklahoma City, Okla., will return to her work tomorrow after a visit in this city with her mother, Mrs. Martha Denny.

FIX AMERICA'S NAVAL POLICY

Present Democratic Congress Is Hurrying Work with That End in View.—Problem of Army.

Washington, Dec. 27.—An American peace naval policy will be fixed by the present democratic congress, it became known here today. The naval affairs committee is speeding up work so that the bill will be handed to the house for passage by January 15. Secretary Daniels is to appear before the committee next week to wind up the proposals for divisions of the navy and to make final recommendations as to what the bill should contemplate.

The house military committee immediately after the holidays will take up the problem of America's army of occupation now in Europe. It is proposed by Green, of Iowa, that an armed force in this country and in Europe be organized immediately on a volunteer basis and that its strength shall not exceed 400,000 plus the units of regulars now stationed there.

JERRY O'CONNOR IS DEAD

Dies at Home of Daughter, Mrs. John Sturm, Jr., Near Bedison.—Callahans to Come From Fort Worth Tonight.

Jerry O'Connor, who made his home with his daughter, Mrs. John Sturm, Jr., living near near Bedison, died at eight o'clock yesterday morning. His death was due to uremic poisoning and he had been ill some time.

The funeral services will probably be held at Conception tomorrow morning but no definite arrangements have yet been made. Mr. O'Connor was a brother-in-law of Michael Callahan formerly of Arkoe, now living at Fort Worth, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Callahan will arrive tonight from Fort Worth to attend the funeral. The only close surviving relatives are Mrs. Sturm and the Callahans.

REMUS EMPLOYES BANQUET

Proprietor Serves Fried Oyster Supper to Employees and Families Last Night at Close of Business.

C. F. Remus entertained the employes of the Remus Mercantile Company with a fried oyster supper last night. The supper was served in the large basement of the store which had been decorated and made ready by Mrs. Remus and daughters, Margaret, Katherine and Frances and the event was planned as a surprise for the clerks. A delicious menu was served and the evening spent in enjoying Victrola music and playing various games. The company included Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cornell and son, Roland, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mann, Mrs. J. E. McDonald, Mrs. Anna Miller, Mrs. Alpha Bishop, Miss Alice Donahue, Mrs. W. P. Cummins of Burlington Junction, Richard Schaffer and Mr. and Mrs. Remus and daughters. Mrs. Cummins was Miss Bee Growney previous to her marriage and is a former employe of the store.

HURRY UP LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 27.—A resoluution requesting that the war conference at V rsailles create at the earliest possible moment a League of Nations that will establish an enduring world peace was introduced in the house today by Representative Britten, republican member from Illinois. Mr. Britten gave notice he would ask for hearings by the foreign relations committee on the resolution early in the new year.

FIRE DAMAGES STEAMER.

Baltimore, Dec. 27.—Fire early today damaged the steamship, Florence Lukeback, and a cargo of foodstuffs and gasoline. The ship was lying at Locust Point ready to sail for France today. Four sailors along the water front were hurt and three city firemen were overcome by gasoline fumes and were taken to the hospital.

Omaha Visitors Leave.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Conklin and children returned yesterday to their home in Omaha, after a holiday visit here with Mrs. Conklin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Wright.

A STATEMENT SOON

AMERICA MAY HEAR SHORTLY CONTEMPLATED PLANS

SPEED PEACE PROGRAM

Wilson Confers with British Statesmen.—Any Difefrences of Opinion Will Be Easily Settled.

London, Dec. 27.—President Wilson held his first direct peace conversations with representatives of Great Britain today when he met Premier Lloyd George and other British statesmen informally during the morning, the program for the day carrying the conference late into the afternoon. British and American view points as they touch one another are included yet for conference today were informal. They were characterized by the hope that concessions will be possible. There is no possibility of developments that would prolong any difference of opinion, it was confidentially stated.

Premier Lloyd George arrived at Buckingham Palace at 1:30 and was loudly cheered by the big crowd that gathered. Mrs. Wilson got the first view of London's fashionable shops today when she was invited by Queen Mary for a sight-seeing and shopping tour. A reception in her honor was given this afternoon at the American Women's club.

"The conference was entirely satisfactory," That was the only comment obtainable from President Wilson today following a three-hour conference with Premier Lloyd George and Arthur Balfour. It was learned today that the conferences were for the purpose of developing the situation which leads the President and his advisors to assume it is possible to speed up the preliminary conferences, following a return to Paris. President Wilson is understood to believe it will be possible to make a statement to America shortly explaining what has been done and what has been planned.

ERRETT HOLT WOUNDED.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Holt Receive Official Notice Today.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Holt received word today that their son, Errett Holt, who is attached to the 7th engineers in France, had been wounded in action. The parents received a letter from their son of Nov. 27, written from a base hospital in France, saying that he was wounded, but was doing alright and would soon be recovered.

A brother of Errett, Lieut. A. B. Holt, is attached to the 8th Aero Squadron.

FAY CORROUGH IN NEW YORK.

Wounded Nodaway County Boy Arrives in New York Dec. 23.

Fay Corrough, the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Corrough of Arkoe, has been returned from France and arrived in New York Dec. 23. His parents received a message from their son on the evening of the 23rd, saying he had arrived safely and was feeling fine.

Fay is attached to the 356th regiment and has been in the hospital for some time recovering from wounds received in action. He has been in service in France since June.

Guest at Aley Farm.

Samuel Burris of Malvern, Ia., is visiting at the home of his uncle, C. A Aley and family living near Arkoe. Young Burris is in training at the Lincoln, Neb., camp and is en route to his home.

Announce Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Collinsworth of Ravenwood, announce the birth of a daughter December 26.

THE WEATHER.

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MEMBER MISSOURI PRESS ASSOCIATION

By W. C. VanCleve.

William Hohenzollern still has much to be thankful for. He has so far escaped his just deserts.

That Paris newspaper man who misread a cipher dispatch and styled Woodrow Wilson "the great European internation point" may be not far wrong. He may have them all guessing before they are through.

"Me and Gott has dissolved partnership," says Kaiser Bill, and Gott will have to worry along alone while the ex-Kaiser looks after personal interests.

A MERRY FIXE AHEAD.

If the President calls an extra session of Congress next spring, there is prospect of a merry war among republicans before the House and Senate are organized. The friends of minority leader Jas. R. Mann of Illinois, believe he has earned the Speakership by reason of long service and peculiar fitness for the place but there are unmistakable signs of a determined effort to confer this honor upon Representative Gillett of Massachusetts, now a member of the appropriations committee. The progressive element is also grooming Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, son-in-law of Theodore Roosevelt. The Speakership is a plum worth while but there are signs of breakers ahead already.

In the Senate, the republicans will have a very narrow majority. They are accredited with only two under the most favorable circumstances and one of them, the Michigan millionaire, may have a hard fight before he is admitted to a seat. He will have to convince both the Senate and the courts that a man isjustified in spending several hundred thousond dollars on an effort to secure a nomination and election.

Whether he is seated or not, there is a very earnest conviction among the more progressive element of republican Senators, such as Norris of Nebraska, Kenyon of Iowa, and Borah of Idaho, that the best interests of the old party demand that the legislation of the next Congress be not shaped and controlled by certain standpatters of the old school. Senators Penrose of Pa., Lodge of Mass., Smoot of Utah, and Warren of Wyoming, are the big four among the conservatives and now hold places on all the most important committees. If the seniority rule continues to govern, the big committees will be headed as follows:

Warren will be chairman of the Agriculture and Forestry, Appropriations, Military Affairs, and Public Buildings and Grounds committees. And he will be on the Rules Committee.

Penrose will be chairman of the Finance, Naval Affairs, Postoffices and Postroads, and the Expenditures in the Department of State Committees. Also, he will be on the Immigration and Education and Labor Committees.

Lodge will head the Foreign Relations Committee, and will be on the Finance, Manufactures, and Naval Affairs Committees.

Smoot will be chairman of the Public Lands, Printing, and Expenses of the Senate Committees, and will be a member of the Appropriations, Finance Pensions, and Civil Service Committees.

The committee on finance will control revenue and tax legislation; the committee on appropriations will control the appropriation bills; the committee on foreign relations will control foreign policies, and so on. Since these four men are now and will be on practically all the more imporant committees of the Senate, it is easy to see that, by this sort of interlocking directorate, they can dictate the acts of the Senate on legislation of general importance. All they have to do is to stand together as they stood in the past.

Senator Norris has introduced a resolution to change the order of things and declares he will carry the fight into the next Congress. He will have some strong support and a wide break is in sight as the old guard refuses to entertain a suggestion of giving up any of their coming power. Will Hays, republican national chairman, has been called in to try and settle the difficulty but Senator Penrose, for instance, has told him to mind his own business which ended the conference. An exceedingly interesting session is ahead.

Missouri's Shame.

Figures prepared by Superintendent of Schools Lamkin show that Missouri ranks thirty-second among the States in literacy, the same position that it held 10 years ago. Four per cent of the adult population of the State can neither read nor write English. Yet in assessed wealth Missouri ranks fourth.

Lamkin's figures are an indictment of every legislature that has met in Missouri for the past decade; they are an indictment of every school district in the State that has one native-born, grown up illiterate within its boundaries and an indictment of the State as a whole.

One of the great troubles of Missouri is that it has thousands of mossbacks—and by that word we do not mean farmers alone—who vote no on every measure that has the word "tax" in it; others who figure that "education" is not necessary because they have managed to make a competence without having attended school, and still others who have a vague idea of education as something that makes aristocrats of good democrats.

If the sole aim of life is to make a living and get through the span like the animals of the field, then education is indeed a waste of time. If education is to be regarded solely as a means to money-making, then, again, it is a futile accomplishment.

Education is something bigger than that. Education is civilization; education is progress; education is the soul of life. Without education there can be no uplifting thought, no reform and no reaching for better things. Education—the development of thought—is what distinguishes man from the ape in the tree tops.

When the legislature meets next month its first duty should be to see that steps be taken to make Missouri rank at least as high in literacy as in wealth. Let us have little red schoolhouses at the forks of every creek in the State, even if it is necessary to pull down the county courthouse for the material with which to build it. Let us teach our children to think; if we don't there will shortly be nothing in the State worth thinking about.—St. Louis Republic.

Forum-ettes

By the way what has become of the old fashioned farmer who, at this season of the year used to bring the editor a bushel of apples or a turkey?

And, speaking of olden times again, isn't it a wonder, in the light of modern materia medica that more children didn't die of some germ disease in the bad old days when the school boy and girl spit on their fists and used them to clean the slate?

Speaking about who's boss a Maryville man says at his home his daughter bosses her mother, mother bosses the dog and he raises old Ned with the gold fish and canary.

Borrow a quarter from a man and he never forgets it and looks at you every time he meets you like you was "pizen" and then when you return it he declares he had forgotten all about it. He lies.

"Why don't Mr. Taft advise Teddy to get in the band wagon of the League of nations?" asks the Dallas (Texas) News. Don't the News know that Teddy wouldn't get in any old wagon unless he could sit in the seat and drive?

Yessir, we're "agin" democracy if democracy permits a man with a rotten breath to stick his face close when he is talking to you

With all the boys coming home it looks as though the fatted calf might save himself lots of grief by flirting his tail and hiking for the tall timber.

"Elder, how would you like to be a 'cootie' and chew on some fair damsel?" asked a member of our congregation, as he helped himself to a Christmas cigar that a friend had laid on my desk. I would not be a 'cootie' sir. If a pest at all, I'd choose to be a chigger, then when I got a whack at her I'd have a deeper digger.

A man never realizes how many faults he has until he retires from a pleasant hour spent in conversation with his wife.

Maybe you have not heard this one: A school teacher met a man on the street whom she thought she knew and stopped him and spoke to him. He stared blankly at her and she saw she was talking to a stranger. She smiled sweetly and explained to the bewildered gentleman: "I beg your pardon, I thought at first you were the father of one of my children."

Getting Full Value of Flowers.

Highly ornamental vases are attractive in themselves but, as flower holders, they may be said to be partial failures, as they do not serve their purpose to the fullest extent. They rather attract attention to themselves, than set off the blooms for which they are designed. A vase of plain material or color, or one on which the design is obscure, is more to be desired, as it presents the flowers in their full beauty, and does not distract one's attention. In the same way, a vase of lusterware, of a shade that blends with the flowers it holds, is far more attractive than one of contrasting color. Vases that are to be used for all kinds of flowers might better be green, of a dull shade, as this resembles the plant coloring and is not noticeable.

Not Defenseless.

The tale of little George Washington and the cherry tree is of more than dubious authority; but a mother who recently related it to her small son learned that, if it is to be used for the edification of young Americans it is better, at least, served plain, with no attempt at enhancement or emphasis. She had described young George's enthusiastic felling of the tree with his new implement, and the fateful arrival of his father upon the scene. She pictured Augustine Washington as an elderly, stern and stately parent of the old school, with cocked hat and cane. She proceeded impressively:

"But George could not tell a lie. He told the truth, even though his father stood with the cane in his hand!"

"But," said Jimmy breathlessly "George had the hatchet, hadn't he?"—Youth's Companion.

Hospital Humor.

In an American hospital in France a lieutenant who had lost both his legs in battle received a package from his wife. In it were six pairs of socks. Raising himself as best he could in the cot, the lieutenant said:

"Say, boys, what am I going to do with these now?"

"I guess you're just out of luck," was the reply.

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Soldier's History of Service Told by Stripes and Medals

Does that ribbon with green in it mean the Croix de Guerre or service on the Mexican Border?

"What does the Distinguished Service Medal look like?"

"How can you tell wound stripes and service stripes?"

"What are all those different cords on the soldiers' hats?"

These are a few of the questions that are asked concerning the American soldiers' insignia by the lay folk who, full of eager interest, confess that even the American Army and Navy "get them all mixed up," says a writer in the New York Times. Nobody wants to mistake a French War Cross for the badge worn by a sharpshooter, or to announce that a soldier is in the infantry "because he has a grayish cord that gray cord marks the wearer as in that grty cord markes the wearer as in the service of the tanks. Everyone knows how to tell a lieutenant from a major, but concerning the intracacies of smaller insignia there are many questions asked.

Perhaps the questions asked most ften now that many of our heroes have come home, for a time at least, are about wound and service stripes. The army's chevrons for six months' foreign service and for a wound are just alike—a V-shaped gold stripe for each six months of service, or for each wound.

The difference is that the "service stripes" are worn on the left sleeve just above the cuff, the wound stripes on the right. There is also a chevron of light blue for less than six months of foreign service. Perhaps the time-honored method of the landlubber in remembering "which was which" between "port" and "starboard"—that the one was "left" that had the same number of letters—may be most helpful here: "right" is "wound"—five letters each.

Another subject of inexhaustible interest and well-nigh inexhaustible complexity is that of decorations and ribbons of various kinds. The difficulty is simply that there are so many of them. We see many soldiers with ribbon bars nowadays. Here are the meanings of those in which we are most interested:

The Distinguished Service Cross is awarded by the President "to any person who since April 6, 1917, has distinguished himself or herself by extraordinary heroism in connection with direct military operations;" It is a bronze cross bearing an eagle. Its ribbon is of red, white and blue—a wide blue center, a narrow white stripe on each side, a wider red stripe at each end.

The Distinguished Service Medal, a round bronze medal bearing the eagle, is awarded by the President "to any person who has distinguished himself or herself by exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility in time of war." Its ribbon has a white center, not so wide as the center blue of the ribbon of the D. S. C., with a narrow blue stripe on each side, and wider red stripes at the ends. These like the wound and service chevrons, are rewards authorized by the President for service in the present war.

The ribbon of the French War Cross, which many young Americans have won during the war, is red and green—a green ground with five equidistant red stripes.

The badge for service on the Mexican Border has a wide green center flanked by narrow stripes of blue; on each side of these are slightly wider stripes of yellow; the ends are narrow stripes of green. The badge for foreign service has as its center, a narrow stripe of buff, then on each side a tripe of red, then one of white, with ends of light blue.

These are a few out of many campaign ribbons and badges of merit, service or heroism. A good deal of interest attaches, too, to the marks of especial skill in shooting. The sharpshooter's badge is a Maltese Cross with a bar above it. The expert rifleman may wear a device consisting of a pair of rifles crossed on a wreath. The pistol expert's badge is similar, but smaller; it is a pair of pistols crossed on a wreath.

The marksman's badge is a plain bar. On the bars of all these medals the meaning of them is printed in good plain letters—"marksman," "expert rifleman," or whatever it may be; but of course the letters are too small to be read in passing by the man on the street.

Each branch of the army service has its special cord for the campaign hat of noncommissioned officer or enlisted man. The infantry is gray-blue; cavalry, yellow; artillery, red; aviation, green and black; ordnance, red and black; tank, clear gray; commissary, green; police reserve, green and white; medical corps, maroon aand white; machine gun, dull blue, with a red tassel; Quartermaster Corps, buff; engineers, red and white; Signal Corps, orange and white; chemical service, bright blue and yellow; cadets, gray and black; chaplain, black; and officers' training corps, red, white and blue. Officers below the rank of brigadier general wear hat cords of gold and black, brigadier generals and officers above that rank plain gold. In the Marine Corps only officers wear hat cords.

Most people know the shoulder insignia of officers' rank—the lower ranks at least. A lieutenant general wears three silver stars on his shoulder; major general two, and brigadier general one. The colonel's sign of rank is the silver spread eagle, the lieutenant colonel's the silver leaf, the major's the gold leaf. A captain wears two silver bars, a first lieutenant one. But many Americans do not know that the gold bar that is the second lieutenant's insignia is an innovation in this war.

Promising Opening.

The traveling showman was waxing eloquent as he described the characteristics of his wild horse from Tartary.

"Ladies and gents," he said, "this hanimal is a real terror. If there's any gent in this company as fancies hisself as a rider, I'll give him five pounds for every minute he sticks on this hoss. I've rid hosses all my life, but this hoss is beyond me. I've tried 'im every way, but 'e shakes me off in ten seconds."

"Why not get inside him?" queried a humorist.

The showman waited until the laughter had died down.

"My lad," he said, witheringly, "I've thought of that. But nature has been unkind to 'im in the matter of mouth; it ain't big enough. Now, if it, 'ad been yours—"

But the humorist did not wait to hear the logical conclusion of the hypothesis.

SEATTLE OFFICER TELLS OF TROUBLE

Collins Was Nearly Down and Out—Gains 25 Pounds by Taking Tanlac.

"A medicine that will do as much for suffering people as this Tanlac has done for me is certainly worth recommending to the public and I can't say too much for it," said John W. Collins, of 1214 East Columbia street, Seattle, while in a Bartell drug store, recently. Mr. Collins has been a resident of Seattle for the past thirteen years, and is a popular member of the police force.

"When I began taking Tanlac," Mr. Collins continued, "I weighed only one hundred and fifty pounds and was in such a bad condition that I could not patrol my beat. But, I now weigh one hundred and seventy-five pounds—and am feeling fine. I have had trouble with my stomach for several years. Nearly everything I would eat disagreed with me. My food would almost invariably sour and keep me filled with gas and misery most all the time. Then some time ago I had a fall of about thirty feet which came near putting me out of commission. On top of this I had an attack of grippe and I simply got to where I was just about down and out. My whole body seemed full of neuralgia and rheumatism and I ached all over. Every joint in me ached and the pain in the left side of my back, over my kidneys, was so severe at times that I could hardly stand it. Nothing did me any good and finally I just had to give up my position, stop working entirely and do nothing but try to find relief. My sleep was very poor and I kept falling off in weight until I got down to one hundred and fifty pounds.

"Then I got uneasy about my condition, went to Colorado and stayed there for a while, but never did get any better until I began taking Tanlac, and then I commenced climbing right up. I have used six bottles now and have gotten rid of all that neuralgia and rheumatism entirely and never feel an ache or a pain. My appetite is great and my stomach is in such a good shape that I can eat just anything I want without the least trouble afterwards. I now sleep like a log every night and am in splendid condition in every way. I'm going back tomorrow, and I cheerfully recommend Tanlac to everybody."

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Tibbetts-Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Tibbetts of this city announce the marriage of their daughter, Ethel E., to J. Lawrence Nicholson, on Wednesday, Dec. 25.

For Kansas City Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baublits of Graham gave a dinner party Christmas day complimentary to their guests, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Seaton and daughter, Virginia Lee of Kansas City.

Christmas Day Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Bellows were the hosts of a Christmas dinner served at one o'clock. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Chandler and daughters, Marie and Katherine, Mr. and Mrs. Will F. Phares, Dr. and Mrs. D. J. Thomas, Miss Clara Sturm and Lou Grems and daughter, Mayme.

Entertains in Honor of Mother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mounts, living southeast of the city entertained with a Christmas dinner party Wednesday in honor of Mr. Mounts' mother, Mrs. N. J. Mounts of Schuyler, Neb., who is visiting at their home. The event was also arranged to celebrate the eighty-third birthday anniversary of the honor guest. Plates were laid for Mrs. N. J. Mounts, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Brunk, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mounts, and son, Fredrick of Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Mounts, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGinness and daughter, Beverly Ione, Miss Ethel Duff, Miss Iva Mounts and the hosts.

Applebys Entertain With Dinner Party.

Mr. and Mrs. John Appleby celebrated Christmas day by entertaining a party of dinner guests who were Mr. and Mrs. William Appleby and son, Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Welhanes of Haypo, S. D., Ward Appleby of Marshall, Minn., and Misses Velma and Flora Appleby.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green of Pickering gave a dinner yesterday entertaining their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Jr., and sons Harold and Eldon of this city.

Entertain Christmas Guests.

Goodpastures Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Goodpasture and son, Edwin, entertained guests at Christmas dinner complimentary to Miss Lois Goodpasture, who is spending the holidays with home folks. The additional guests included Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodpasture, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kellar, Miss Elizabeth Keller, Charles Goodpasture and Ivan Keller.

Wallace Family Party on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace gave a dinner and Christmas tree party Wednesday at their home, 1013 East Fifth street, at which their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mutz and son, Walter, Mrs. Melissa Casteel, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Jr., and sons, Harold and Eldon and Frank Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Lutz entertained guests at a dinner party Christmas day at their home near Quitman. Those who enjoyed the day with their hosts were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bright, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brummett, Mrs. Jake Dean and daughters, Elma and Ruby, Mrs. Ellen Culver and daughters, Cecil and Golda, Mrs. Edna Brummett and daughter, Edwyna, Marvel Harris, Walter and Henry Lutz, J. H. and Manford Dean.

Entertains for Visiting Sailor.

Miss May Shipps entertained a party of friends Tuesday evening complimentary to Charles Wells from the Great Lakes naval training station, who spent a short furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wells. The guests were Misses Alma and Eva Tabler, Misses Myrtle and Anna Wells, Misses Opal and Neva Key, Charles and Malcolm Wells and Glen Tabler. Mr. Wells returned to the naval camp yesterday.

In Honor of Lloyd Hartley.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hartley entertained a party of young folks last night in honor of their son, Lloyd, who is spending the holiday vacation at home. Rook furnished the amusement of the evening. The guests were Claude Glass, Forrest Gillam, Philip Colbert, Lee Strickler, James Halasey, Virgil Rathbun, Myron Baker, Howard Martin, William Van Cleve and Melvin Neal.

Romassers Entertain Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Romasser entertained at a Christmas dinner party Judge and Mrs. V. L. Drain and daughter, Miss Katherine and son, V. L., Jr., of Shelbyville, Mo., and Mrs. Martha E. Turner.

McLaughlin-Staples.

Harold Staples of this city, who is teaching the high school at Spokane, Wash., and Miss Bernice McLaughlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McLaughlin of Spokane, were married December 12, at the home of the bride's parents.

Dowdens Entertain Family Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dowden gave a dinner Christmas day, entertaining Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dowden, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dowden, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dowden and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dowden, Mrs. Clarence Dowden and son, Donald, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morris and family.

Gaugh Christmas Dinner.

Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Gaugh of Burlington Junction entertained their children and families with a dinner Christmas day noon. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gaugh and children of Maryville, Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Reece and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker and daughter of Burlington Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson Entertain Christmas Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson entertained a number of relatives and friends with a Christmas day dinner at the Wilson home near Graham. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gex, Mr. and Mrs. John Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gex and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gex, Jr., Mrs. Mollie Kemper, Miss Bettie Gex, Miss Bessie Kemper and Fred Kemper, all living south of Maryville and Arthur Noid of this city.

Mrs. Catterson Entertains.

Mrs. Omar Catterson entertained at dinner yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Hal Catterson and children.

McKee-Swaney.

At a simple home wedding ceremony at noon on Christmas day at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. R. McKee of Pickering, Miss Lois McKee was married to Henry Swaney of Burlington Junction. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. T. Alsup of Pickering. The home was beautiful in decorations of Christmas emblems and colors. The bride wore a pretty suit of midnight blue with hat, gloves and shoes to match. A dinner was served to the wedding guests, who were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Loch and daughter, Pauline, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Gray and daughter, Ruby, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Swaney and sons, Herbert and Lester, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. McMillen, Mrs. Otis Faulkener, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Neal and son, Ernest Swaney, Mrs. J. N. Neal and son, Ernest Swaney, Fern, Fay, Claud and Raymond McKee.

Lloyd Dinner Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Lloyd gave a Christmas dinner Wednesday noon at their home on West Third street, entertaining the family relatives. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lloyd, David Denning, Ulysses Lloyd, Clarence and Lucy Lloyd and the hosts.

Entertains for Son and His Bride.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Clayton of Pickering gave a dinner party Christmas day in honor of their son and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clayton, whose marriage took place December 11, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Aley near Arkoe. The table was beautifully decorated with holly and ferns and the holiday colors were used in the rooms. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Aley, Misses Nellie and Jessie Clayton, Misses Irene and Verna Aley and Russell Clayton.

Celebrates Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Madison Goodson are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today at their home on West First street by having all their children and their families home for the day. The five children are: Eugene Goodson, living at Lincoln, Nebr., Ira A., of the firm of M. Goodson & Co., of Ravenwood, Mrs. O. S. Nisja of Montezuma, Colo., Mrs. D. M. Bishop of Ravenwood and Miss Frank Goodson at home. In March following their marriage, which took place at Chillicothe, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Goodson came to Missouri and in 1873 came to Nodaway county, settling near Ravenwood, and have lived there continuously since. Last year they moved to Maryville to make their home. The Goodson family is one of the prominent substantial families of the county and a host of friends are congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Goodson on this glad occasion in their lives.

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CHARLES HYSLOP.

Almost Lost Precious Card.

One of those "absentee registrants" signed up at the city postoffice one day last week, and received his registration card for transmission to his local board in his home town.

This man must have been an absent-minded registrant as well, as the sequel will show. He calmly placed the registration card in an envelope, addressed the envelope to his local board, put on the stamp, and walked out into the street.

As he passed a trash box he dropped the letter into the opening and went his way with a clear conscience of having done his first duty under the man power law.

Luckily for him, a postman coming out of the building saw the mistake he made and rescued the letter from the trash. By this time the registrant had boarded a car, so the letter carrier dropped the letter containing the precious card into the letter box.—Washington Star.

Birdmen's Patron Saint.

The cardinal archbishop of Westminster, who has initiated the Guild of St. Michael for Airmen, invites all Roman Catholic airmen "to place themselves under the protection of St. Michael by joining the guild." No one could desire a doughtier champion, remarks a London paper, but the choice of the Russian airmen, who in the early days of the war decided on Elijah as their patron saint, is perhaps even more plausible. It is, at all events, plain that these days have given an entirely new meaning to the phrase, "prince of the powers of the air."

Every Sensation.

The following is from a letter written by a member of the United States tank forces in France: "I ran the gamut of all sensations from fear to hatred, and the latter was what I carried away. Any nation that fills the bodies of the dead with bombs in order to kill the chaps that come out to bury them, has no consideration from me, and that is what the Germans do, among other things."

Fire Clay Substitute.

The great resistance to heat of ordinary coal ash has suggested the use of this material for fire bricks in place of fire clay. It is claimed that a suitable binder has been provided in a new process, and several thousand experimental bricks already made are being tested, both as a fireproof building material and as a furnace lining.

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PASS SUMMER IN TEMPLES

Peking Custom of Which the Only Merit Is Assurance of Absolute Peace and Quiet.

"Temple parties" constitute a popular form of diversion for the summer months in Peking. The hills to the westward are dotted with so-called temples—rambling compounds of one-story buildings built centuries ago by emperors in memory of departed ancestors. The buildings invariably surround a paved court or often a series of such courts, shaded as a rule by century-old trees. In the temple proper is still to be found a gigantic "Buddha" or idol before whom joss-sticks are lighted at intervals by priests and acolytes, of whom there are generally a half dozen all told, occupying a portion of the compound.

It is quite easy and inexpensive to secure the use of one of these temples—one or more of the unoccupied subsidiary buildings—for a week-end, a week or the whole summer. They are entirely without furniture except insofar as a raised platform whereon the Chinese used to sleep might be called furniture. Once installed the occupant enjoys absolute peace and quiet by day. As a rule he sleeps in the company of one of the lesser "Buddhas," who is hidden behind a curtain. The only intrusion upon his privacy occurs when the priest or acolyte brings food and places it before the idol and returns later to remove what the rats have left of it.

A number of the oldtimers in Peking have their temple leased year after year and pass the summer there. For the novice, owing to the general lack of everything that makes for comfort, once is enough. It is a thing, however, that everybody must do once.

CRITICISM MUST BE KINDLY

Nothing Good Can Come of Method Which Does Not "Speak the Truth in Love."

There is the story of a contentious man who said to his pastor, "I cannot preach or pray or sing, but I can raise objections." Such men are not rare. There is one, at least, in almost every church, club, lodge or society of whatever kind. The critic is ever with us. And, candidly, we need him. We cannot do our best work without him. He is like the brake in the mechanism of a motor-car. He holds us back when we would go too fast. If at times he delays our progress, he is necessary to our safety. His conservatism counteracts the possible evils of radicalism. Much might be said for the economy of criticism.

But the method of criticism is also important. The brake should work smoothly. The critic need not destroy the organism he proposes to reform. Often the effect of his criticism is wholly destructive. Sometimes his methods remind us of the man who set fire to a barn to rid it of rats. A sensitive spirit who had been harshly treated by a critic retorted, "I know there is a cinder in my eye, but you can't remove it with a crowbar."

The apostolic injunction, "speaking the truth in love," gives the critic a safe rule of action. No truth, however severe, is unwelcome, if it be spoken in love. It takes the spirit of Christ to take the sinner by the hand the while we take sin by the throat.—Christian Herald.

Be Courteous Always.

Next to honesty courtesy is the best asset. Remember few people or firms have such a monopoly of products that they can afford to be discourteous. There are thousands of people who prefer courteous treatment to superior goods. There is no reason why they should not have both. But if one or the other must suffer the courteous chap will win out. That explains why the store with the highest grade of goods does not always have the crowds. People like to be treated as though they counted in the world's economy. Whether they do or not makes little difference. Let them think they do and they will boost your business to people who do. You secure their good will through courtesy and they join the ranks of your advertisers. Men of business insight have learned this long ago.

Birds Live Fast.

As a rule, birds do not live very long, but they live fast. They have a higher temperature, breathe more rapidly and also have a more rapid circulation than other vetebrates. This is necessary in order to generate the requisite force to sustain their active bodies, and a large quantity of food is required. As a matter of fact, birds devote most of their waking hours to obtaining seeds, berries and other kinds of food. The activity of birds in the pursuit of insects is still further stimulated by the fact that the young of most species, even those by no means strictly insectivorous, require quantities of animal food in the early weeks of existence, so that during the summer months—the flood time of insect life—birds are compelled to redouble their attacks on insect foes to satisfy the wants of their clamorous young.

Ready for Emergencies.

Cactus Cal (in the Wild West)—Thet there new minister of our'n ain't no tenderfoot. See, he's usin' his left hand ter shake hands with th' members of his congregation.

Englishman—What does that action signify?

Cactus Cal—It don't signify nothin', stranger, but it leaves his gun hand free.

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Gillam-Jackson Loan & Trust Co.

HELPS AGED WOMAN PRISONER.

Loren Baublitts Writes From American Camp in Belgium.

Loren Baublitts, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baublitts of Graham, has written the following very interesting letter to his home folks:

France, Nov. 26, 1918.

Dear Folks: As I have time and the censorship is partly lifted, I will try to write and tell you where I have been. We landed at Brest on August 25, after staying there we took a train to Riermont in southern France, about 30 miles from Metz. After staying there about two months we took a train up to Bannoncourt, about 20 miles from Verdun. From Bannoncourt we marched about 12 miles into Camp Chanois, in the Argonne woods. These woods adjoin Verdun all around. From there we moved to a little town by name of Noyers, near to Barle Don. From Noyers we moved by motor truck to the city of Dun. The Americans drove the boche out of there about two weeks ago. Most all of these towns and cities are completely ruined. From Dun we came to our present place in Belgium. This place is not ruined, as the Germans have held it since 1914 and just left here one week ago. They took everything of any value with them. The people are sure glad to get liberated; they are all very poor, as the Huns have taken everything they had for the last four years. The people all moved away from the ruined towns or were taken prisoners into Germany.

Dun is a town about the size of St. Joseph, and there is not a building standing intact. While we were there an old lady 85 years old, who had been a prisoner in Germany, came back to find her home completely destroyed, and all her relatives killed or gone, and nothing to eat. The boys of our company fixed her up for awhile with money and eats.

I do not know, but I think our outfit intends following the Huns on in home or to the Rhine.

There are souvenirs here, but it takes money to get them. The helmets cost about $5.00 in our money and the pistols about $25.00. I am not going to carry many souvenirs until I get ready to come home.

We can get waffles to eat in this town, but there is no syrup or sugar here.

I will mail you some cards from now on.

Well, I must close for this time, hoping to hear from you soon.

As ever,

PVT. LOREN H. BAUBLITS,
Co. C, 326th Field Sig. Bn., A. E. F.

HAS GOOD WORD FOR CROW

Australian Writer Points Out Occasions When Bird Becomes a Real Benefactor to Mankind.

There are those who say that the crow deserves no mercy. There is no other pest eradicator, imported or otherwise, doing its bit so patriotically as the self-same crow. In Bananaland, Australia, says the Sydney Bulletin, the ravages of the sheep-maggot fly must make a loss of hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of jumbuck every year, about the only difference in one season being that the damage is probably greater than the last. Were it not for the bird whom no one has a good word for, the fly pest would soon duplicate itself with losses to sheep-owners increased accordingly. Every dead sheep or piece of offal in the bush is the depository of the eggs of unimaginable numbers of prospective sheep destroyers. Just about the time that the grubs are the size of a grain of rice, and a few days before they burrow into the soil, where they remain for about 15 days before coming forth, as a developed sheep-maggot fly, Brother Crow spies out the colony. Then he sends the glad tidings by wireless system, and all the family within range hurries to the banquet. When it is over a supply of grubs for the next meal has to be found elsewhere.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

RAY KINNEY WRITES.

Enjoys Freedom From Shell Fire and Bullets.

Ray W. Kinney, a former employe of the Townsend Grocery Company, has written the following letter to his mother, Mrs. Fred L. Kinney, living at Stella, Mo.:

November 14.

Dear Folks: Of course you have heard the good news and I suppose you are just as happy as we are over here. Believe me, it is good to be free from bullets and shells and especially to be able to sit by a nice warm fire instead of a hole in the ground while I write this letter. It is getting quite cold here and the last few nights there has been considerable ice. I am certainly glad this war has ended before cold weather sets in, as it would have caused much suffering had it continued through the winter. Of course, there will be a great deal yet for us to do, but the fighting seems to be over. And it shouldn't be many months before we return to the good old U. S. A. I am feeling fine and getting along well, too. In fact, I have enjoyed the best of health ever since I came over here. Was fortunate enough to come through the thick of things without any mishaps, but at times it seemed like there was no chance at all of getting through alive. One who has never been through a battle knows nothing whatever about it and can't even picture it in their minds. But believe me, those who have been there know all about it and will never forget it.

We are in a very pretty country now and it is not badly torn up like some places we have been in. It would not be a bad country to live in.

RAY W. KINNEY,
Co. G, 357th Infantry.

Skidmore Visitor Here.

James Everett Pierpoint, Jr., will arrive from Skidmore tonight to visit Douglas W. Haynes, who is visiting in Maryville with his mothher, Mrs. J. E. Pierpoint and his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Montgomery of West Third street.

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YOUR SYSTEM YOU SHOULD FORTIFY-WITH MEAT WHOSE QUALITY IS HIGH!
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Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

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FOR SALE—12 extra good Poland China sows; 4 white sows. These sows are all pure bred. C. C. Graves, one mile west Maryville. 5tf.

CORN FOR SALE—New No. 3 mixed shelled, due at Burlington station. Get particulars. Elmer Fraser. 24-27

FOR SALE—Cupboard, cook stove, couch, dresser, iron beds, springs and mattress, child's iron bed, tables, stands, dining room chairs, block and tackle and 200 feet new 1-inch rope, farm wagon, cultivator, steel harrow. Call at 203 West 12th St., Thursday, Friday and Saturday. 24-27*

FOR SALE—Clincher Fek Weather Strips to keep out cold around windows and doors—and save fuel. Hall's Implement Store, one block north P. O.

FOR SALE—Ford truck or will exchange for Ford roadster. Farmers garage. 26-28*

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Front suite of office rooms over Graham-Latimer store. Sisson Loan & Title Co. 10tf.

FOR RENT—4 room cottage and 6 room dwelling. Chas. Hyslop. 19-tf

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Baled wheat or rye straw. Maryville Feed & Milling Co. 20-27

WANTED—Man with small family to work on farm. Inquire here. 24-27.*

WANTED—Wide awake farmers and investors to investigate the low priced farm land of Southwestern Louisiana. Good soil, crops and climate. Ask for description and prices. Geo. H. Meek, Lock Box 235. 26-28*

WANTED—Description, location and price of your farm, or city property, if you want to sell it. Reasonable commission. Geo. H. Meek, Lock Box 235. 26-28*

LOST—Automobile chain, between town and 4 miles south. Leave at Farmers garage. 26-28*

Unfurnished rooms, ground floor. Place in good location, 202 E. First St. 26-28*

WANTED—Farmers to see our self-feeders. Call at Crown Hog and Cattle Powder Co., block north of P. O. 26-28

LOST—Between H. D. Snyder property and August Stapler's residence, on East 4th street, $45 in bills. Finder call 6323 and receive reward. D26tf

LOST—A yellow and white collie, scar on left front leg. L. D. Lynch, Farmers 47-22. Reward. 26-28

DOLL UP—Get a hair cut, shave and shine, and see how good you look. Dick Strong's. 27-30

LOST—Small pocket book containing $20 bill and padlock key. Finder return to Wm. Everhart and receive reward. 27-30

MARKET REPORTS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CORN—Jan., $1.47⅝; February, $1.43¼; March, $1.42½.

Kansas City, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000; steers, $16@$19; cows, $6@$13.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,500; top, $17.65; bulk, $17@$17.45.

PRODUCE MARKET

Eggs	55
Butter fat, per lb	68c
Springs, per lb	19c
Hides, per lb	14c
Hens, per lb	20c
Ducks, per lb	15c
Geese, per lb	15c
Turkeys, per lb	17c to 25c
Old Roosters, per lb.	11c

Private Harvey F. Lucas and C. F. Richards of the U. S. S. Indiana are house guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Lucas. Young Richards will leave today to report for duty on ship board.

TELLS OF SOLDIER'S DEATH.

Ray Puckett Tells News of Warren Reaksecker, Who Died Nov. 30.

The Rev and Mrs. T. J. Puckett have received the following letter from their son, Ray Puckett, who is attached to the medical corps at the American base hospital at Limoges, France. It was in this hospital that Warren Reaksecker of this city died on November 30 and young Puckett writes his parents some things about his friend:

November 30.

Dear Folks All: * * * Well, did you spend a happy Thanksgiving? I enjoyed mine very much. We had turkey and plenty of it, mashed potatoes, gravy dressing, celery, apples, pie, nuts and smokes, and it was all very good. That evening I ate down at the Hotel de la Paix and they served an American Thanksgiving, turkey, etc., and these French chefs know how to cook. Of course it was nothing compared to being home, but then one should do the next best. I have been anxious to hear if you got my letter telling you of Private Reaksecker and to call up his mother. I had just finished reading your letter this morning when the orderly from the ward brought a report to the office of his death. He died this morning at 10:20. It is too bad, for he sure had lots of nerve and always very cheerful. I was in the ward to see him only a few days ago after he had had a blood transfusion and he said he felt fine and was wondering how long before he would be up. He was very badly wounded in the upper middle of his leg and a severe wound on the ankle of his left foot. The nurse and doctors did all they could for his and said if anyone deserved pulling through he did. There was very little I could do for him myself. I told him I would write you and you could see his mother. I was unable to attend his funeral, but he was buried with military honors in the American cemetery here at Limoges, France. If possible I will get a picture of his grave and give it to his mother when I return. Well, I started this letter Saturday eve and never finished it and here it is Monday night. I thought maybe I would get to take my leave this week, but when they read over the names mine wasn't on. Only 25 go at a time and this is the first bunch to go. I would like to be here Christmas rather than on leave. It is now six months since we landed in France, so we are wearing one service stripe. It really doesn't seem like we have been over here that long, but it seems like a long time since I left home. * * *

RAY J. PUCKETT,
U. S. A. Base Hospital No. 13, France.

The word "plantation" is used principally in the Southern States, where it originated in old slavery times to designate a farm cultivated by negroes, as a cotton plantation or a sugar plantation. In Maine it has a distinctive meaning, representing a form of government smaller than a township.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Sleeps Any Old Way Now.

"I am 50 years old and never was sick until 8 years ago when I got stomach trouble. I have spent a fortune for medicine which did not cure. I kept on suffering and getting worse. A fellow worker told me about Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. After taking three doses I felt like a different man; before taking it I could not lie on my back nor right side. Now I sleep any old way." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucous from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Maryville Drug Co., and druggists everywhere.—Adv.

On the rock of Gibralter and in some parts of England drinking water is obtained by condensation of the abundant dew.

The smallest range of temperature is in Surinam. In summer the average is 78 degrees, and in winter only one-half of a degree less.

The Bolsheviki believe in an extreme form of socialism, with property held in common and apparently a rule by the people without leaders or even representatives. Its advent to power resulted in the stoppage of work and production, and as a natural consequence, a shortage of all materials and food.

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Highest prices at all times. See me before you sell. E. W. BARROCK, at Cook & Vogt's Poultry House. Southeast corner Square.

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Best Terms Ever Offered—See Us.

Our Interest in You

We soon tire of the person who takes no personal interest in us.

Likewise we grow indifferent towards the bank whose officers show no feeling of interest in us.

All we ask is a chance to show you that we are interested in you and can render you a valuable service.

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WHAT A BILLION MEANS.

Few Persons Have Conception of Enormous Amount It Represents.

We hear of billions these days, but it is probable that very few persons have any notion of what an enormous amount of money a billion represents.

We do know, however, how rapidly an expert counter of coins manipulates them. You can scarcely follow the motion of his fingers as he shifts the coins from one pile to another and counts them. The experts in the treasury department will count 4,000 silver dollars an hour and keep this up all day long, but that is their limit.

Working eight hours a day then an expert counter of coin will count 32,000 silver dollars in a day, but how long will it take him at that rate to count a million dollars? Thirty-one days!

But that is only the beginning of the measurements of great figures, for if this same man were to continue to count silver dollars at the same rate of speed for ten years he would find that he had counted only 100,000,000 of them and that to count 1,000,000,000 of them would require 102 years of steady work at the rate of eight hours a day during every working day of every one of the 102 years.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our neighbors and relatives who remembered us with acts of kindness during the sickness and death of our beloved husband, son and brother, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. George Meeks,
Mr. and Mrs. Jay Meeks and family,
Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Thompson and family.

Here From Omaha.

A. M. Campbell of Omaha is visiting in Maryville with his daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Morehouse and Mrs. Hosick Holmes.

Southern Methodism has 6,150 pastors and 19,311 churches. Eighty-five per cent, or 16,381 churches, have services only once a month. During the last year 819 pastors received less than $4000; 1,268 received less than $500; 1,585 received less than $600. Among all the pastors only 1,723 received more than $1,000.

The first use of the elephant as a pictorial symbol of the Republican party was in 1874, when Thomas Nast, the cartoonist, made it the G. O. P. emblem.

The most powerful animals are vegetarians.

Goodyear and Kelley Springfield Tires

NONE BETTER

Tires are scarce and hard to get and will be more so—Buy lasting tires and take good care of them.

Geo. McMurry

Closing Out Sale

As I am leaving the state, I will sell at the home place, located 2½ miles south and 1 mile east of Maryville, Mo., ½ mile south of Martha Washington schoolhouse, on

Friday, January 3, 1919

commencing at 1 o'clock sharp, the following property:

Horses—2 black mares, 11 and 12 years old; 1 brown mare 10 years old; 1 bay gelding 5 years old.

Cattle—1 choice milch cow, giving 4 gallons milk per day; 1 extra fat cow; 2 yearling steers; 1 yearling heifer; 2 spring calves.

Hogs—3 tried brood sows; 2 gilts.

Hay and Grain—About 4 tons barn hay (loose); about 125 bales bright oat straw; 800 bu. corn in two cribs to be measured, 4200 cubic inches per bushel.

Implements—2 walking cultivators; corn planter, check row attachment; stalk cutter; 2 steel corn troughs; hay frame; corn sheller; walking corn drill; set double work harness; about ten loads of stove wood; 6 bus. potatoes; 25 patent bee hives, and other articles not here mentioned.

Terms—$10 and under, cash; on sums over that amount a credit of 6 months time will be given on a bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest from date. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

Guy E. Stults

R. P. Hosmer, Auct. Jos. Jackson, Jr., Clerk.

Administrator's Sale

I will as administrator of the Geo. Q. Meek Estate, sell at his late home, ½ mile southeast of Maryville, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1919

7 Horses and Mares — Black mare 8 years old, weight 1400; bay mare, smooth mouth; bay mare 7 years old, broke in all harness and gentle; bay saddle bred horse; 3 coming 3-year-old colts (2 mares and 1 horse).

4 Head of Cattle—2 extra good milch cows; 2 spring calves.

23 Head of Hogs—2 bred sows; 4 gilts and 17 head of fall pigs.

Grain, Hay and Feed—About 300 bu. corn; 10 tons of prairie hay; stalk field.

A General Line of Farm Implements.

Some household and kitchen furniture; 7 or 8 cords of sawed stove wood. 1 portable chicken house and numerous other articles.

Terms—$10 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of 3, 6 or 9 months on a bankable note bearing 8 per cent interest from date.

JOHN F. MEEK, Administrator.
R. P. Hosmer, Auct. S. H. Kemp, Clerk.
Sale will start at 1 o'clock prompt.

SEES SON ON SCREEN.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 27.—"There he is! There's John!" shouted Mrs. John Hughes, who with her husband was watching a Hurst-Pathe picture at a movie here. The parents were overjoyed when the picture of their son, Sergeant John H. Hughes, Jr., of the aviation service in France, was thrown on the screen and they "saw him," though he is thousands of miles away.

The River Nile is believed to contain more varieties of fish than any other stream in the world.

According to a British scientist, X-rays are the most extreme rays at the ultra-violet end of the spectrum.

Notice Retail Druggists
No More VapoRub Direct
Buy It From Your Jobber

Effective Immediately, No More Direct Shipments Will be Made Retailers. All shipments Now go to Jobbers for Redistribution.

When the influenza epidemic struck the country and wiped out our warehouse and jobbers' stocks almost overnight, we were faced with the problem of redistributing—to the stricken districts—in the quickest possible manner—our daily output of VapoRub. We solved this by offering to ship direct to the retailers in these influenza districts, by parcel post prepaid, quantities of not more than three dozen VapoRub in any one shipment, and by shipping what was left from our daily production to our jobbers by express instead of freight.

This was costly, but it solved the problem for the time being. Now, however, we find that these small shipments are constantly increasing—we have received as many as 1,306 in a single mail. It is becoming impossible for us to fill these promptly, and instead of distributing our goods more quickly, they are really slowing up the process.

We believe that we can serve you better now by reverting to our former policy of shipping exclusively thru the jobber, and, effective immediately, no more drop shipments will be made.

While we have put on a night shift and have, thereby about doubled our production, we are still unable to fill our back orders and won't be able to furnish each jobber at least twice the quantity of VapoRub that he purchased for the corresponding month last year, so there should not be any difficulty in your getting your pro rata share.

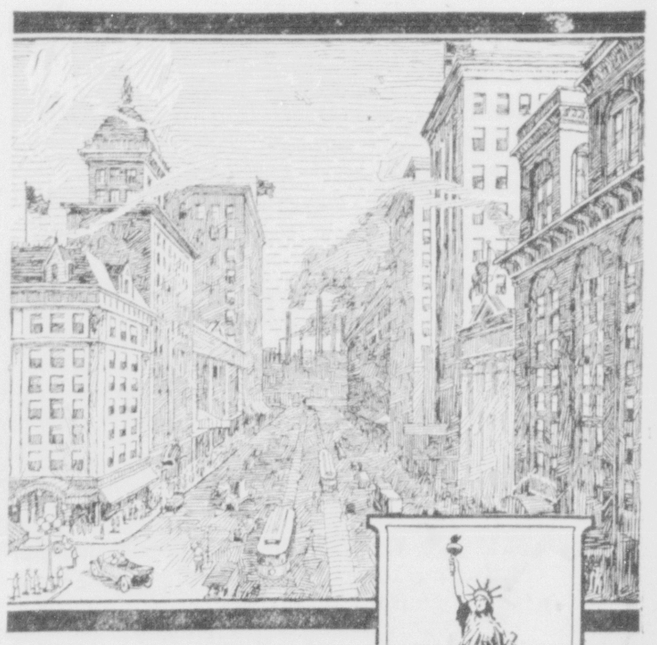
We feel that the public appreciates the service that the retail and wholesale drug trade have rendered the country in this time of stress. We wish to express to both branches of the trade our thanks for the kind co-operation extended us in our efforts to meet this emergency.

THE VICK CHEMICAL COMPANY, Greensboro, N. C.

Holmes & Wolfert

HAVE MOVED THEIR REAL ESTATE OFFICE TO THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE NEW HOLMES BUILDING, west side of square.

THEY INVITE YOU TO CALL and look over their list of farms and city property.



STRONG "outside connections" are fundamentally important to any bank that seeks to serve its community well. City terminals and markets must be kept in constant touch so that business men and farmers, shippers and manufacturers can cooperate to the best interests of themselves and their Government.

No financial institution in this community has more advantageous outside connections than we have in the numerous correspondents with which we transact our commercial business in the various large cities of this state and country.

Nodaway Valley Bank

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